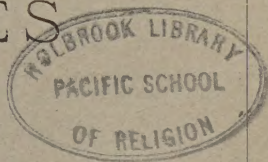


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MINUTES.

THE SYNOD OF THE PACIFIC met according to appointment, October 6th, A. D. 1881, at half-past 7 o'clock P. M., in Calvary Presbyterian Church, San Francisco, and was opened with a sermon by Rev. John Hemphill, the retiring Moderator, from Rev. vi : 2: "And I saw and beheld a white horse; and he that sat on him had a bow: and a crown was given unto him: and he went forth conquering and to conquer."

After the sermon the Synod was constituted with prayer, after which the roll was called. The members present during Synod and the Churches represented, are as follows, to wit:

PRESBYTERY OF BENICIA.

Ministers Present—R. R. Wells, J. Pierpont, N. B. Klink, C. H. Crawford, H. McLeod, F. M. Dimmick, Jas. Mitchell, H. B. McBride, T. Kirkland, H. Ballagh, W. Alexander, D. D., J. W. Atherton (4), T. F. Fotheringham (2), V. A. Lewis.

Ministers Absent—S. H. Thomson, LL. D., R. McCulloch, R. Wylie, J. S. Todd, J. L. Woods, Henry Loomis, A. H. Croco, F. H. Robinson, J. R. Hammond, H. G. Kieme.

Elders Present and Churches Represented—J. W. Skinner, Arcata; Robert Andrews, Two Rocks; Edwin H. Smythe, Santa Rosa; Thomas B. Morris, San Rafael; O. L. Soules, Healdsburg; W. S. Jacks, Napa; A. H. Buehren, St Helena; H. I. Bailey, Clear Lake, First; Wm. H. Hampton, Davisville; N. Wagenseller, Ukiah.

PRESBYTERY OF LOS ANGELES.

Ministers Present—S. T. Wells, Samuel B. King, Robert Strong, J. W. Ellis, Ashbel G. Lane, Alvin Baker (2), Frederick D. Seward (5).

Ministers Absent—J. Phelps, D. D., B. Leffler, A. F. White, LL. D., James Gilchrist, Philander D. Young, Townsend E. Taylor, John Marquis, Robert Boag, Wm. C. Mosher, R. S. Reese, Ebenezer Halliday, James White.

Elders Present and Churches Represented—L. G. Oliver, Santa Barbara.

PRESBYTERY OF SACRAMENTO.

Ministers Present—N. Slater, H. A. Mayhew (2), E. Graham, P. L. Carden, L. M. Schofield, H. P. Peck, H. H. Rice, G. W. Lyons, J. M. Smith, Isaac N. Waterman (2), Geo. C. Whyte, J. B. Warren, J. W. Beard, E. G. Mathena (4), G. P. Tindall (2).

* The figure indicates the day of the session on which the member appeared.

Ministers Absent—J. T. Baldwin, B. B. Bonham, J. N. Hubbard, Silas Hindman, A. J. Compton, M. D., John Carrington, S. M. Crothers.
Elders Present and Churches Represented—Felix Tracy, Sacramento ; W. H. Rice, M. D., Modesto ; E. B. Conklin, Placerville.

PRESBYTERY OF SAN FRANCISCO.

Ministers Present—A. Williams, W. A. Scott, D. D., LL. D., S. Woodbridge, D. D., G. Burrowes, D. D., A. W. Loomis, D. D., J. B. Poage, R. S. Symington, E. Verrue, R. L. Breck, D. D., (2), J. Matthews, D. D., D. H. Temple, R. Patterson, D. D., (2), D. McClure, Ph. D., J. Edwards, H. R. Avery, A. S. Fiske (2), I. M. Condit (2), T. Beaizley, S. P. Sprecher (2), F. E. Shearer, J. T. Wills, F. L. Nash, John Hemphill, Jas. Woodworth, Jas. Cameron (2), C. A. Poage, R. L. Tabor (2), R. Mackenzie (2), Jas. Curry, E. F. Walker, W. H. Darden, Jos. Hemphill.
Ministers Absent—John Sessions, D. D., James Woods, H. S. Carpenter, D. D., T. Fraser, R. V. Dodge, C. T. Mills, W. Buehren, P. V. Veeder, S. P. Whiting, Jas. Agnew, J. M. Allis, J. A. Merrill, W. J. Smith, H. H. Wikoff, Jno. S. McKeehan, P. F. Phelps, W. H. Thomson, J. E. Anderson.

Elders Present and Churches Represented—Nath'l Gray (2), San Francisco First ; N. T. Romaine, Calvary ; Warren Holt, Larkin St. ; David Morrow (2), Brooklyn ; Dr. W. H. Davies, Central ; Monroe Greenwood, Westminster ; J. W. Stewart, Howard St. ; G. K. Mearns, St. Johns ; E. R. Hawley, Howard ; Loi Mong, San Francisco Chinese ; Hugh Crockard, Memorial.

PRESBYTERY OF SAN JOSE.

Ministers Present—C. E. Babb, D. D., W. W. Brier, Alex. Fairbairn, I. N. Hurd, S. S. Harmon, H. H. Dobbins, Hiram Hill, J. M. Newell, J. W. Snowden, J. P. Egbert, John Rea, C. D. Merrill.

Ministers Absent—T. M. Oviatt, Lewis Thompson, Wm. F. B. Lynch, Jas. L. Drum.

Elders Present and Churches Represented—J. M. Rodgers, Watsonville ; Geo. W. McGrew, Los Gatos ; D. C. McMillan, Cayucas ; J. McG. Patterson, San Jose ; S. G. Creighton, Visalia ; J. J. Dorland (2), Gilroy.

Synod proceeded to the election of officers, and the Rev. H. H. Rice, of the Presbytery of Sacramento, was elected Moderator. Revs. R. S. Symington, of the Presbytery of San Francisco, and A. G. Lane, of the Presbytery of Los Angeles, were elected Temporary clerks.

Rev. John Hemphill, chairman, made a joint report for the committee on Devotional Exercises, and the committee of Arrangements, which was amended and adopted, as follows, to wit :

Your committee of Arrangements and Devotional Exercises, would respectfully report (in part), recommending that the daily sessions of the Synod begin at 9 o'clock A. M. ; that there be a recess from 12, M. until 2, P. M., and another recess from 5, P. M., until 7½, P. M. ; that a popular meeting be held on Monday evening in behalf of Foreign Missions; the Rev. Mr. Lewis to preside, and Revs. S. P. Sprecher and J. W. Ellis to deliver addresses;

that a meeting be held on Sabbath at 3, P. M., in behalf of Sabbath Schools, the Moderator to preside and Revs. Lewis, Schofield and Egbert to deliver addresses; that a meeting on behalf of Home Missions be held in this Church, on Sabbath evening; Rev. Dr. Scott to preside, Revs. Dr. Woodbridge, W. W. Brier and F. M. Dimmick to deliver addresses; that on this Saturday evening, a meeting be held in behalf of Education, Sabbath Observance and the Needs of the Church on this Coast; Rev. Dr. Woodbridge to preside, and that addresses be made by Rev. J. M. Newell, on the Needs of our Church on this Coast, Dr. W. Alexander on Education, and Dr. Patterson on Sabbath Observance; that the Communion be celebrated on Monday at 2 o'clock, P. M., the Moderator to preside, Rev. Mr. Hurd to administer the bread, Rev. Mr. Lewis the wine, and Elders Mearns, Hawley, Conklin and Gray, assisted by the Elders of Calvary Church, distribute the elements.

On motion the report of the Directors of the Theological Seminary was made the first order of the day for to-morrow, and the report of the Synodical Missionary the second order.

The Moderator was instructed to appoint a committee on Pulpit Supplies, and he named as such committee Revs. John Hemphill, and F. L. Nash, and Elder N. T. Romaine.

On motion the Synod adjourned, to meet to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

Closed with prayer by the Moderator.

SATURDAY, 9 o'clock A. M., October 8, A. D. 1881.

The Synod met at 9, A. M., and spent the first half hour in devotional exercises, and then proceeded to business. The minutes of last evening were read and approved.

The Moderator announced the standing committees as follows, to wit:

1. **BILLS AND OVERTURES:**

Ministers—John Hemphill, W. Alexander; D. D., W. W. Brier.

Elders—J. W. Skinner, N. T. Romaine.

2. **JUDICIAL:**

Ministers—J. M. Newell, N. B. Klink, R. Strong.

Elders—Felix Tracy, Robert Andrews.

3. **MINUTES OF GENERAL ASSEMBLY.**

Ministers—J. W. Ellis, S. Woodbridge, D. D.

Elder—Joseph Weed.

4. **LEAVE OF ABSENCE.**

Ministers—H. H. Dobbins, J. B. Warren.

Elder—D. C. McMillan.

5. TO AUDIT THE TREASURER'S ACCOUNT.
Elders—J. W. Stewart, W. H. Hampton, E. W. McGrew.
6. FINANCE AND MILEAGE.
Elders—J. N. Patterson, E. R. Hawley, N. Wagenseller, L. G. Oliver, Felix Tracy.
7. THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.
Ministers—P. L. Carden, R. Mackenzie, G. C. Whyte.
Elders—J. M. Rodgers, W. H. Rice, M. D.
8. CORRESPONDENCE.
Ministers—F. M. Dimmick, A. S. Fiske.
Elder—Hugh Crockard.
9. RECORDS OF BENICIA PRESBYTERY.
Ministers—Samuel B. King, A. Fairbairn.
Elder—G. K. Mearns.
10. RECORDS OF LOS ANGELES PRESBYTERY.
Ministers—I. M. Condit, L. M. Schofield.
Elder—M. Greenwood.
11. RECORDS OF SACRAMENTO PRESBYTERY.
Ministers—J. P. Egbert, F. L. Nash.
Elder—W. S. Wing.
12. RECORDS OF SAN FRANCISCO PRESBYTERY.
Ministers—E. Graham, J. Mitchell.
Elder—S. G. Creighton.
13. RECORDS OF SAN JOSE PRESBYTERY.
Ministers—R. L. Tabor, Hugh McLeod.
Elder—E. B. Conklin.

The following resolution was offered by Rev. S. Woodbridge, D. D., to wit:

Resolved—That a special committee be appointed to suggest corrections in reference to the Synod's records connected with their action in the case of Rev. J. D. Strong.

The resolution was referred to the Judicial Committee.

The time for the first order of the day having arrived, Rev. W. A. Scott, D. D., from the Board of Directors of the Theological Seminary, presented the report of the Board, which was accepted and referred to the standing committee on the Theological Seminary. (See Appendix, A.)

The second order of the day was then called, and the Stated Clerk, in the absence of Rev. Thos. Fraser, Synodical missionary, read his report. It was accepted, and referred to the Permanent committee on Home Missions, and the Stated Clerk was directed to place it on file.

The following ministers being present, were invited to sit as corresponding members, to wit:

O. A. Hills, D. D., of the Synod of Alleghany, G. P. Tindal, of the Synod of Michigan, Eben Muse, of the Synod of Kentucky, M. M. Gibson, D. D., of the U. P. Synod of the Pacific, H. V. Rice, of the Synod of Minnesota, Jno. Thompson, R. Bentley, D. D., and M. C. Briggs, D. D., of the California Annual Conference of the M. E. Church.

The committee on Pulpit Supplies reported. The report was adopted, and is as follows, to wit :

Your committee on Pulpit Supplies would respectfully report, that the following churches have asked supplies, and recommend that they be supplied respectively, as follows: St. Johns, A. G. Lane, 11 A. M.; Memorial, J. M. Smith, 11 A. M.; Olivet, J. M. Smith, 2.45 P. M.; Howard Street, J. W. Ellis, 11 A. M.; Howard, P. L. Carden, 7½ P. M.; Larkin Street, W. H. Darden, 11 A. M.; T. Kirkland, 7½ P. M.; Howard, O. A. Hills, 11 A. M.; G. P. Tindall, 7½ P. M.; Alameda, J. M. Newell, 11 A. M., and 7½ P. M.; Central, L. M. Schofield, 11 A. M., and 7½ P. M.; Westminster, E. F. Walker, 11 A. M., and James Curry, 7½ P. M.; Oakland First, J. W. Ellis, 11 A. M., Rev. Dr. S. Woodbridge, 7½ P. M.; Brooklyn, J. Mitchell, 11 A. M.; Calvary, H. H. Rice, 11 A. M.; Hamilton Hall, John Hemphill, 7½ P. M.; Edward's Hall, R. Ballagh, 11 A. M.; San Francisco First, H. B. McBride, 11 A. M., W. H. Darden, 7½ P. M.; San Rafael, W. Alexander, D. D., 11 A. M., and 7½ P. M.

Rev. Jno. Thompson, agent of the American Bible Society, was invited to address the Synod on Monday next at 2½ o'clock, P. M.

The Synod then took a recess until 2 o'clock, P. M.

AFTER RECESS, SATURDAY, 2 o'clock P. M., Oct. 8, A. D. 1881.

After recess the Synod resumed business. The order of the day, which was to fix the place of the next meeting of Synod, was then taken up.

On motion Synod resolved to hold its next regular meeting at Napa, on the first Friday in October, 1882, at 7.30 o'clock, P. M., and the Session of the Church of Napa was appointed the Committee of Arrangements for the meeting.

Rev. C. E. Babb, D. D., Chairman of the Permanent committee on Ministerial Relief reported, and the report was adopted and is as follows, to wit :

The committee on Ministerial Relief reports to Synod that the whole amount contributed to that object by the Churches under the care of this Synod during the year ending 1881, was only \$392, an average for the 8,253 communicants of less than 5 cents each. The whole amount contributed by all the churches for the year

was \$68,454, an average of nearly 12 cents a member.

In the Presbytery of Benicia, 5 churches contributed \$69.00 ; 20 churches gave nothing.

In the Presbytery of Los Angeles, 7 churches gave \$39.00 ; 12 churches gave nothing.

In the Presbytery of Sacramento, 4 churches gave \$32.00; 24 churches gave nothing.

In the Presbytery of San Francisco, 11 churches gave \$220.00; 14 churches gave nothing.

In the Presbytery of San Jose, 5 churches gave \$36.00, and 17 churches gave nothing.

Thus of our 122 churches only 33, less than a third, have given to this important object.

There are no beneficiaries of this fund within the bounds of this Synod.

The committee recommended the adoption of the following resolution.

That every church be earnestly exhorted to make a contribution annually to the Ministerial Relief Fund, as it is the method adopted by the General Assembly for meeting its solemn obligations to the superannuated laborers in its portion of the Lord's vineyard, and to the widows and orphans of those who die in the work. If to care for these is the duty of the church, every communicant ought to help it to discharge that duty fully and promptly.

Rev. W. A. Scott, D. D., nominated Rev. Thos. Fraser as Synodical missionary for the coming year. No other nominations being made, the Temporary clerk was directed to cast the ballot for Mr. Fraser, which he did, and the Moderator declared him duly elected.

Rev. N. B. Klink, chairman of the committee on Church Erection, reported. The report was adopted, and is as follows:

Your committee on Church Erection beg leave to present the following as the report for the Synodical year from Oct. 1, 1880, to Oct. 1, 1881.

The total contributions for the year by the churches for this cause, have been as follows :

Presbytery of Benicia, 14 churches have given	\$129.45
“ “ Sacramento, 7 churches have given	60.00
“ “ San Jose, 9 churches have given	65.15
“ “ San Francisco, 4 churches have given	76.00
“ “ Los Angeles, 4 churches have given	127.62

Total,	-	\$458.82
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Which is \$168.68 less than was given last year to this Board. This fact is much to be regretted that there should be this falling off

in our contributions. Another fact to be deplored is that out of 122 churches only 38 have given to this Board.

From information received by your committee, no church has been reported as receiving aid from this board during the Synodical year.

We again commend this important branch of the benevolent work of the church to all our church sessions, and urge them to make a yearly offering to this cause of Christian beneficence.

“Give and it shall be given unto you—good measure pressed down, shaken together and running over, shall men give into your bosom. For with the same measure you mete withal it shall be measured to you again.”

The Moderator called the attention of the Synod to the action of the General Assembly, on the complaint of Rev. Edward Graham and others, and the Synod proceeded to its consideration.

The following resolution was offered and referred to the Judicial Committee, to wit :

Resolved—That the complaint in the case of J. D. Strong, referred by the General Assembly to the Synod of the Pacific, be referred to the Presbytery of San Francisco with instructions to take such action in the premises as the interests of religion and the good order of the church may seem to them to demand.

Rev. F. M. Dimmick chairman of the committee on Correspondence reported, and the report was adopted and is as follows :

Your committee on Correspondence beg leave to recommend the appointment of the following named persons as delegates from this Synod to our corresponding bodies, namely :

1. To the Congregational Association of the State of California for 1882, Rev. L. M. Schofield, principal, Rev. J. M. Newell, alternate.

2. To the Pacific Synod of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church, for 1882, Rev. V. A. Lewis, Principal, Rev. T. Beazley, alternate.

3. To the California Annual Conference of the M. E. Church for 1882, Rev. Dr. R. Patterson, principal, Rev. J. B. Warren, alternate.

4. To the Pacific Annual Conference of the M. E. Church South, for 1882, Rev. N. B. Klink, principal, Rev. J. W. Ellis, alternate. All of which is respectfully submitted.

F. M. DIMMICK,
A. S. FISKE.

Rev. A. S. Fiske, chairman of the Permanent committee on Publication, reported. The report was adopted and is as follows :

Your committee on Publication beg leave to report that it finds

these facts, viz: that last year the Presbyteries contributed as follows:

Benicia Presbytery.....	26	churches,	6	only	contributed.	Total	\$34.00
Los Angeles "	21	"	4	"	"	"	12.00
Sacramento "	28	"	3	"	"	"	20.00
San Francisco "	25	"	5	"	"	"	112.60
San Jose "	22	"	6	"	"	"	21.00
Total for Synod							\$199.00

The impressive features of this review are the small amounts contributed and the small numbers of churches uniting in the work. These features are the more impressive, as the General Assembly enjoins upon each of its churches offerings annually to each of its boards and committees. Our heed to that injunction is significantly indicated by the fact that of 122 churches of the Synod, only 22 churches have made any offerings whatever to this cause. If loyalty to Presbyterianism means anything ought it not to mean more than this?

The smallness of our few gifts is extraordinary, in view of the fact that this cause is one of very great present moment. This is an age of universal consumption of printed literature—it is the age of an immense volume of light, immoral, and skeptical literature—it is an age of great intellectual activity; the church ought in such an age to be greatly quickening and enlarging all her facilities for the production and distribution of a pure, powerful, and evangelical literature.

The mission and colportage work of this board is of vast importance to the frontiers and sparsely settled portions of the country.

Your committee recommends:

That this Synod call the attention of its Presbyteries and churches to the great importance of this cause and to the oft repeated injunctions of the General Assembly to regular annual contributions to each of the great benevolences of the church.

A. S. FISKE,

Chairman.

The Permanent committee on Freedmen reported. The report was adopted and is as follows, to wit:

Your committee on Freedmen, have had under consideration the interests of that race of people to whom we owe a great debt. For almost one hundred years our nation stood in the way of the educational and religious developement of that people. We can in a measure repair the wrong done them, and the path of duty is plain.

The last General Assembly gave great prominence to this part of its missionary work, and no popular meeting was attended with greater enthusiasm. It is no longer a question with the people whether the race is capable of development, for they have proven beyond a doubt that they ask nothing but the opportunity.

The former opinion held that the race under freedom would decrease has been shown to the contrary.

In the slave States from 1850 to 1860, the per cent. increase was nineteen. From 1860 to 1880, the per cent. increase was thirty-five, while the white population in the same district was but twenty-eight per cent.

The institutions of learning in the interest of this people make a fair showing. Of these institutions, there are three of them chartered, namely: Biddle University, Charlotte N. C.; Wallford Academy, Charleston, S. C.; Scotia Seminary, Concord, N. C.

Normal Schools are: Brainard Institute, Chester, S. C.; Fairfield Institute, Winsboro, S. C.

Graded Schools: Medway, near Dorchester, Ga.; Mount Tabor and Columbia Seminary, Greensboro, N. C.

Number of Scholars enrolled, 1527.

Professors of religion, 354. Studying for the ministry 79.

The statistics in full show that many of these pupils engage in teaching a portion of the year, and many of them superintend Sabbath Schools.

The best information your committee can get shows that these people are doing all they can for themselves, and now reach forth their hands to you for help.

The two things most needed are earnest teachers or preachers, and liberal contributions.

Your committee recommend that every church in the bounds of our several Presbyteries take up large collections for this worthy cause. Now we commend this cause to the watchful care of Him who is able to energize our hearts and guide us into all truth.

Respectfully,

JOHN W. ELLIS,

Chairman.

The hour having arrived, Synod took recess until 7½ o'clock P. M.

AFTER RECESS, SATURDAY, 7½ o'clock P. M., Oct. 8, A. D. 1881.

The Synod convened and spent the evening in a popular meeting in behalf of Education, Sabbath Observance and the Spiritual Wants of this coast.

Addresses were delivered by Revs. R. Patterson, D. D., W. Alexander, D. D., James M. Newell, and S. Woodbridge, D. D., and the last named also presided.

Synod then adjourned until to-morrow morning at eleven o'clock. Closed with prayer.

SUNDAY, 11 o'clock, A. M., Oct. 9, A. D. 1881:

Synod convened and united in divine worship. A sermon was preached by the moderator from Ps. xvi : 11, and Ps. xvii : 15.

After worship, recess was taken until 3 o'clock P. M.

AFTER RECESS, SUNDAY, 3 o'clock P. M., Oct. 9, A. D. 1881.

Synod convened, and spent some time in a children's meeting, the Moderator presiding.

The meeting was addressed by Revs. J. B. Warren and J. T. Wills, after which recess was taken until 7½ o'clock P. M.

AFTER RECESS, SUNDAY, 7½ o'clock, P. M., Oct. 9, A. D. 1881.

Synod convened, and spent the evening in a popular meeting in behalf of Home Missions. Rev. Dr. W. A. Scott presided. Revs. W. W. Brier, S. Woodbridge, D. D., and F. M. Dimmick addressed the meeting. Synod then adjourned. Closed with prayer.

MONDAY, 9 o'clock A. M., Oct. 10, A. D. 1881.

Synod convened, and after spending half an hour in devotional exercises resumed business.

Rev. F. M. Dimmick presented the report of the Ladies Committee on Home Missions. The report was accepted and ordered on file.

The committee to prepare a letter on the attendance of elders reported, and the report was accepted, and is as follows, to wit :

The committee to prepare a letter on the subject of attendance of elders at the meetings of Synod, report that they attended to their duty, published the letter in the OCCIDENT, procured additional copies in sufficient numbers, and sent a copy to every church session in the bounds of the Synod.

FREDERIC E. SHEARER,
JAMES B. ROBERTS,
A. S. EVANS.

Rev. Robert Bentley, D.D., fraternal delegate from the M. E. Church, was invited to address the Synod at 11 o'clock.

A committee consisting of F. E. Shearer and N. B. Klink, ministers, and E. B. Conklin, elder, was appointed to report an amendment to Standing Rule No. XIV.

The standing committee on Education reported; the report was adopted, and is as follows, to wit :

Your committee because of the great distances between its members has not been able to have any formal conference after their appointment at the last Synod, and now there are only three or four present as members of this Synod. Your chairman sent letters asking suggestions from all the members of the committee, except one, whose address he could not find out, but he received answers from only two of the brethren.

It is a painful conviction on the mind of your committee that our beloved branch of the church, historically the banner bearing church in behalf of education, especially for an educated ministry, is not doing her whole duty in holding up the standard, as in days past.

We confess to discouragements in our efforts on this coast, but we are not without hope that we shall yet be able to do more in the cause of Christian education in the years to come.

A number of our brethren are diligently engrossed in the great work of collecting the youth of our State in institutions under their care. It is well known that there is great need of more well qualified ministers for the work of the church both at Home and in Foreign Missions.

It is also known that from some cause a much smaller number of the graduates of our colleges seek the Gospel ministry than in former years; perhaps this is more the case with the young men of the west and the north-west, than in the older States, but the statement seems to apply throughout all our country ; and the fact is more painful, because most of our colleges were founded by self denying and earnest Godly men, expressly to provide a learned and able ministry for the Church of God—founded to be like the schools of the Hebrew Prophets. It has been, and still is, our hope that the recent revivals of religion in various parts of our country will result in turning the hearts of many of our young men to the gospel ministry. But we are deeply impressed with the conviction that it is in the family—family worship and the use of the Catechism, and the word of God, that the deepest impressions of evangelical truth are made. And another remark which we would make with all the emphasis we can give to it is, that an efficient ministry for any country must be trained up from its own sons, and educated for the most part on its own soil. This is the policy of Foreign Missions of all branches of the church ; it is the voice of all ecclesiastical history.

We are afraid we have depended too much upon our colleges for religious teachings, and not enough upon the catechism and family prayers.

In view of the agitation of the day concerning public education, we venture to recommend that in our opinion the Public Schools should be sustained for the purposes for which they were originally intended, namely : To furnish the means of education to all who were unable to get an education in private or pay schools—such an education as is necessary for intelligently exercising the rights and performing the duties of citizens.

That schools of a private or denominational character in which the religion of the parents may be distinctly recognized, should be encouraged, but not supported or controlled by the State.

As to the contributions for the education of candidates for the ministry, it seems to us that they should be at least divided between our own students, and the Board of Education.

The Board of Education does not acknowledge any contributions made to the cause of education, unless the money is sent to them, and even when it is sent to them, designated for a particular student, it goes to him as their beneficiary, and he gets no more than the common allowance. But what is contributed by a church to education may be reported in the minutes of the General Assembly.

Now, as your theological seminary as yet has no scholarships, and as the full allowance by the Board of Education is not sufficient, we ask if it would not be right as well as expedient for us, almost 3,000 miles from the old and rich seminaries of the east, to keep at least a part of our contributions for the education of theological students in our own school of the prophets.

W. A. SCOTT.

The standing committee on Home Missions reported, and pending the discussion of the report, the time for the first order of the day having arrived, Synod heard the address of Rev. Richard Bentley, D. D., fraternal delegate from the M. E. Church.

A suitable reply was made by the Moderator.

The standing committee on the Theological Seminary reported, and the report was adopted, and is as follows, to wit:

Your Committee on the Theological Seminary of San Francisco would respectfully report that they have carefully examined all the records handed to them relating to the affairs of that institution during the past synodical year.

We found in those papers nothing to criticize, but much every way to commend.

The seminary building is in excellent repair and furnished with ample facilities for the accommodation and comfort of students.

The faculty have been permitted we are glad to say, to occupy

their various chairs of instruction without interruption during the year.

Seven young men were in attendance upon the prescribed course of study; of this number five have been graduated, and are now engaged in the work of the Gospel ministry.

The present year has opened with a class of five students, which we have good reason to believe will soon be increased by the addition of a few more.

The year just closed has been one of decided progress and brighter outlook for the Seminary, especially in the line of financial strength and prosperity.

The friends of ministerial education throughout the country are taking a deeper interest in the welfare and prosperity of this institution, so essential to the growth of the Presbyterian church and the kingdom of Christ on these western shores of our great country.

As an evidence of this, we note with grateful acknowledgement the rich gift of \$50,000, for the endowment of the Chair of Systematic Theology, by Robert L. Stuart, Esq., of New York; also the \$10,000 in contributions by Mr. William Thaw, of Pittsburg, Pa.; the \$1,000 by Mr. D. E. Small, of York, Pa.; the \$2,000 by Mr. Matthew Baird, of Philadelphia; the \$1,000 by Mr. Nathaniel Gray, of San Francisco, and \$100 by Mr. Robert Dixon, of the same place. In addition to these gifts in money, we desire to call the attention of Synod to the donations of valuable books made to the Seminary library by the will of the late Rev. Henry A. Boardman, D. D., of Philadelphia, and by C. H. McCormick, Jr., of Chicago. These gifts in money and books, we trust, are but the fore drops of a more copious shower, soon to fall; its coming is under God's control, and we abide his time in faith and strong assurance of hope.

We regret to have to call the attention of the Synod to the lamentable fact, that aside from the sums contributed by Messrs. Gray and Dixon of San Francisco, nothing more has been done to complete the subscription of \$25,000 recommended in the report of last year. We have failed to secure the rich endowment promised by generous friends in the eastern states because we of the Pacific coast have not complied with the terms of their proposition. We understand, however, that those noble and devoted followers of the Master are still ready, and even now waiting to put into the treasury of the Seminary's endowment fund, the sum of \$100,000, if we within whose bounds the institution is located will put in the sum of \$25,000. We recommend that Synod make a determined effort to secure this rich prize, and thus strengthen the conditions of our struggling institution. We also call attention to the depleted state of the contingent fund, and do earnestly recommend to all the ministers and elders within the

bounds of Synod, to bring their churches into greater knowledge and sympathy with the claims of the Seminary, and that they give to their people, at least once in the year, an opportunity to come to the help of the Lord, in contributions to the contingent fund.

In harmony with the suggestions of the General Assembly, we recommend the last Thursday in January, 1882, as the day of special prayer for our Seminary, and for the young men of our churches, that God would inspire their hearts with the influence of the Holy Spirit, and turn them to the service of the Lord in the work of the Gospel ministry.

We nominate for Directors to fill the vacancies of those whose term of office expires at this meeting of Synod, the following persons : Ministers—W. A. Scott, D. D., LL. D., S. Woodbridge, D. D., N. B. Klink, H. H. Rice; Elders—J. D. Thornton, J. W. Stewart.

P. L. CARDEN,
R. MACKENZIE,
G. C. WHYTE,

Committee.

The following persons were nominated as Directors of the Theological Seminary, to wit: W. A. Scott, D. D., LL. D., S. Woodbridge, D. D., N. B. Klink and H. H. Rice, Ministers; and J. D. Thornton and J. W. Stewart, Elders. The temporary clerk was directed to cast the ballot in favor of the above named, and it was done, and their election announced by the Moderator.

The committee on Sabbath Observance reported. The report was accepted and placed on the docket. Synod then took recess until two o'clock, P. M.

AFTER RECESS, MONDAY, 2 o'clock, P. M., Oct. 10, A. D. 1881.

Synod resumed business and took up the order of the day, the observance of the Lord's Supper. The Moderator presided. Rev. I. N. Hurd administered the bread, and Rev. V. A. Lewis the cup.

The committee on Devotional Exercises reported further, recommending that as much of to-morrow as is not needed for Synodical business be devoted to prayer for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit; the Moderator presiding over the forenoon and afternoon meetings (if such there be); that the Rev. J. Mitchell preside at the evening meeting, and that the Revs. Tindall, Tabor, Fairbairn, Graham, Newell, Schofield and Fotheringham make each a five minute address on the work of the Holy Spirit.

The second order of the day was then taken up, viz : An address

from Rev. John Thompson, agent of the California Bible Society. After the address a committee was appointed, consisting of Revs. R. Patterson, D.D., and N. Slater, to prepare a paper on the subject.

The second order of the day was then taken up, being the subject of Sabbath Schools. The permanent committee on Sabbath Schools reported, and the report was adopted, and is as follows, to wit :

The committee on Sabbath Schools would report as follows : We have tabulated the statistics reported to the Presbyteries in the spring, and submit them herewith, recommending that they be published in full in the appendix to the minutes of Synod. (See Appendix D.) The statistics are full and valuable and give a very good idea of the Sabbath School work in the bounds of this Synod; the churches that have failed to report are quite small and the general result would not be much affected if they had reported. We hope another year to have a report from every School in the Synod.

As this is the first time a statistical report has been presented to the Synod, we cannot compare it with former years. The total membership, however, as reported to the General Assembly, has gained 1,787 during the past year, being now 12,026, against 10,239 last year.

We call special attention to the large number of 294 received into full communion from the Sabbath Schools of San Francisco Presbytery, showing how the Spirit of God honors the work of the Church in caring for her children, and showing the value of the Sabbath School as the nursery of the church.

We are glad to report that the valuable lesson helps prepared by the Board of Publication are generally used by the Sabbath Schools of Synod. But there are a number of churches that have not yet adopted them, and into some Sabbath Schools a variety of irresponsible publications have found their way.

The Sabbath Schools are not as generally under the official care of the sessions as we could wish. Indeed there seems to be a frequent need of more careful organization. Some schools report their officers elected by the teachers, and the teachers appointed by the officers, which might do under a reciprocity treaty, or in a mutual admiration society, but can hardly be called a Presbyterian method. We would recommend that the elders of our churches be urged to interest themselves deeply in Sabbath School work, and that the sessions be reminded that they are responsible for the organization and the entire management of the Sabbath School work in the churches over which the Holy Spirit hath made them overseers.

The finances of our Sabbath Schools need more attention, both in the matter of support and benevolent contributions. The first

is often left to the scholars entirely, and as a result the latter is almost universally neglected. A Presbyterian Sabbath School is simply one of the public services of the church, and as in other respects it is identified with the church, so it should be in financial support and benevolent work.

We would call attention to the direction of the last Assembly "that church sessions exercise greater care in preserving accurate rolls of their baptized children who are not communicants." The care of these children is pre-eminently the work of the Sabbath School, but in too many cases, we fear, their very identity is unknown, and no special care is exercised over them. The church register should contain the names of all the baptized children of the church, both those who have there received baptism, and those who have been received to the care of the church by the letters of their parents. The latter are in most cases entirely overlooked, but they are, as truly as the former, under the special care and training of the churches in which their parents are communicants.

We call your attention to an omission in the minutes of the last Synod. At its session of Saturday, Oct. 9, 1880, Synod adopted the following resolutions. "That in Standing Rule XII, the words Sabbath Schools be placed instead of the words Sunday School Meeting," and that Standing Rule XXV, be changed so as to read, "The Permanent committee on Sabbath Schools shall report for adoption a programme for a Sabbath School meeting or meetings, to be held in connection with the sessions of Synod."

This resolution your committee recommend, be inserted here as having been adopted by the last Synod, and that Standing Rule XXV be corrected accordingly.

Inasmuch as the work of the Sabbath School deserves serious consideration at our hands, the committee recommend that the Monday evening during the session of our next Synod be set apart for a public meeting in behalf of this important branch of our church work.

In conclusion, we commend the entire Sabbath School work to our churches as worthy of more serious thought, more earnest prayer, and more active effort, than it has yet received. And we ask for the suggestions in this report the careful consideration of ministers and elders during the coming year.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY H. RICE,
J. W. SNOWDEN.

The report of the Permanent committee on Sabbath Observance was taken up. It was adopted, and is as follows, to wit:

Your committee on Sabbath Observance beg leave to report, that the attention they have given to the subject has simply deepened the impression of the enormity of the evils which Sabbath desecration has entailed upon the land, without suggesting any adequate

means for the removal of those evils. So lax has family government become, so low the standard of even christian propriety in regard to the day of rest, and so unblushing the encroachments of native and foreign infidelity, that we seem to have come to accept as proper an observance of the day that was once abhorrent to every sentiment of christian propriety.

From present indications we are gradually reaching a point where every trace of the Sabbath's special sanctity will be obliterated and the day be reduced to one of mere trivial recreation, or vicious indulgence.

We are sorry to think that even the pulpit is somewhat remiss in upholding the sacredness of the day, and we fear that, in the ordinary instructions of the Sabbath School, the standard of sanctity is much lower than in any generation past.

There can be no return to better conditions, unless the public conscience is instructed and quickened. All God's laws must be made more binding, and then special ones will receive their merited respect. The work of reform in this regard, must always devolve upon the Church. Any delinquency in its instructions or its example will prove fatal; and while in certain localities the enforcing of existing Sabbath laws restricting liquor selling and general trade, may prove an amelioration for a time, the real counteractions lie in the instructions of the family, the Sabbath School and the Church.

Every consideration of religion and even patriotism summons us as ministers of the gospel, as officers in the church, and heads of families, to continued and pronounced effort in this matter of Sabbath observance. We must teach this fundamental law of both temporal and spiritual prosperity to adult and child alike, and press its sanctions as not only a spiritual, but a natural and physical necessity. We must as citizens and as christians make no compromise with customs either native or foreign, which encroach on the sacredness of the day of rest, and we must be careful that our instructions do not suffer from the feebleness or insincerity of our own example. By scrupulous observance of this holy day, both in letter or spirit by even the members of this church, much can be done to check the tendency of the time in the way of desecration, and we shall yet hope that the same God who graven the law on the tables of Sinai, will yet grave it on the hearts and habits of the people, so that the reproach which now rests upon us may be removed, and the land may not altogether lose the priceless inheritance of a scriptural Sabbath.

E. GRAHAM,
E. B. CONKLIN,
J. REA.

The Permanent committee on Temperance reported; the report was accepted, and made the second order of the day for to-morrow.

The report of the Judicial committee was made the first order of the day for to-morrow. Synod then took recess until 7½ o'clock P. M.

AFTER RECESS, MONDAY, 7½ o'clock P. M., Oct. 10, A. D. 1881.

The Synod convened, and spent the evening in a popular meeting in behalf of Foreign Missions. Rev. V. A. Lewis presided. Rev. F. E. Shearer read the report of the Occidental Branch of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, and addresses were made by Revs. V. A. Lewis, S. P. Sprecher, and J. W. Ellis; Mr. Ellis also read the Treasurer's report. The reports read were accepted and referred to the Permanent committee on Foreign Missions. Synod then adjourned. Closed with prayer.

TUESDAY, 9 o'clock A. M., Oct. 11, A. D. 1881.

Synod met pursuant to adjournment, and resumed business, after spending half an hour in devotional exercises and a Bible reading by Rev. Dr. Patterson. The minutes were read and approved.

The committee to bring in a paper on the Bible Society, reported, and the report was adopted, and is as follows, to wit:

Resolved—That this Synod cordially approves the action of the California Bible Society in securing the aid of the American Bible Society in supplying every needy family in this state with a copy of the Holy Scriptures, and thanks this Society for their generous aid.

Resolved—That Synod recommend the Bible cause to the generous support of our people, and recommend that each church under our care take up an annual collection for the California Bible Society.

The Permanent committee on Foreign Missions reported. The report was adopted, and is as follows, to wit:

Your Committee on Foreign Missions would report:

The contributions of our Synod to the cause of Foreign Missions this year exceed those of last year to the amount of \$187. This increase comes about equally from all the Presbyteries except the Presbytery of San Francisco, which falls a little short of last year. We are glad to report this general increase; slight though it be, it gives hope for the future. Sixty-five churches, more than half our whole number, have given nothing to this cause, and this seems to have been the custom in our Synod in all the past, as

shown by the report of the General Assembly. It is right here that reform is needed. Making due allowance for the peculiar circumstances of many of our churches, there is not one but could give something to each of the Boards, and be the better for the gift, both temporally and spiritually. There are two Foreign Missions to the Chinese in our bounds, each having churches; also, four or five stations, besides a number of Chinese Christians connected with our churches. Our church work has brought more than 250 heathens to Christ. Many of these have carried the gospel back to China. Twelve of these are now engaged in preaching to their countrymen. Four or five more are preparing for this work.

The Women's Chinese Home connected with our church contains twenty-six women and children, and has already supplied many Chinese Christian men with Christian wives, who are established in Christian homes. The School for Chinese children under our Women's Board, with over thirty children on the roll, is doing excellent work. Both these institutions deserve our special and hearty commendation. The work among the Chinese is one peculiar to our Synod. Our church was the first to commence work among these heathen in our own land, and for many years were alone in carrying it out. We ought to remain in the front rank of the work of which we were the pioneers. We do still maintain that place; and with the hearty sympathy and aid of ministers and people, we will continue to hold it. Let us consider also the duty and privilege of teaching with the gospel these heathen who are living in the families of our people in many places where we have no churches or schools for them.

The Providence of God has, doubtless, brought them here to be evangelized, and eventually returned as missionaries to China.

The presence of a heathen population at our very doors is an unmistakable intimation of Providence that the Synod should be specially interested in the work of Foreign Missions, and that the Master has a special great work for us in this direction. Let us enter the open door; let us be equal to the emergency; let us accept the great trust. We know not its issues. We are building greater than we know. But he must be blind who does not see that the Master has appointed us a place of rare opportunity and of corresponding responsibility.

The committee would recommend that Synod call the attention of all our pastors and sessions to the directions of the General Assembly in regard to collections for all the Boards, and to enjoin upon our pastors frequently to instruct their people upon the subject of Foreign Missions.

The Treasurer reported as follows, to wit:

The Treasurer of the Synod of the Pacific would respectfully

report, that at the last meeting there remained in his hands a

Balance of	\$ 6.27
That he has received from the Presbytery of San Francisco on the assessment of 1880,	178.10
From same Presbytery, on assessment of 1881,	40.40
From the Presbytery of Los Angeles,	61.80
“ “ Benicia,	61.70
“ “ Sacramento,	103.30
“ “ San Jose,	20.00
	—————\$471.57
That he has paid for printing of the Minutes, . . \$	94.50
Salary of Stated Clerk,	50.00
Postage,	9.00
Circulars (OCCIDENT),	3.50
Mileage,	313.72
Expressage,	85
	—————\$471.57

Leaving nothing in the Treasury.

The report was accepted and referred to the auditing committee.

The several committees on the records of the Presbyteries of Los Angeles, Benicia, Sacramento, San Francisco and San Jose, reported, recommending their approval, and the several reports were respectively adopted.

The Standing committee on Mileage reported, and the report was recommitted.

The report of the Permanent committee on Temperance was taken up, and pending its discussion, Synod took recess until 2 o'clock, P. M.

AFTER RECESS, TUESDAY, 2 o'clock P. M., Oct. 11, A. D. 1881.

Synod convened and resumed business, at the expiration of recess, and in absence of one of the Temporary clerks, Rev. James Curry was appointed to fill the vacancy.

Rev. A. S. Fiske, chairman of the committee on the proposition of Dr. McDonald to establish a Christian University, reported. The report was discussed at considerable length, amended and adopted, and the committee was continued.

The report is as follows, to wit :

Your committee of last year on Dr. McDonald's proposition for a Christian College, begs leave to report, that it has held many meetings—some by itself, and some with Dr. McDonald, and some with the committees appointed in the matter by other ecclesiastical

bodies. We have been over the plan in detail, repeatedly, and with the greatest care. It is plainly feasible in its provisions, most timely, and the very supreme necessity of education on this coast, in the belief of your committee. The plan is intended to fill that vital interval in our broken scheme of Christian education between our secondary schools, founded and fostered by private beneficence, and our theological and professional institutions—an interval which must be filled in order to give a higher degree of usefulness to such schools as we now have—either above or below it. Our theological seminaries and professional schools are now with regard to these secondary schools or private academies completely *dissecta membra*. The college is needed to unite them into the unity of a system of which they are now widely separated parts. Here we have this Seminary. Four years off, then, is the secondary school. How to get from the one to the other is the question. There is a four years' chasm in culture which the college must fill. Give us that, and we should have a fairly adequate system of culture for our youth on this coast under religious influences. The lack of this section from our system of Christian culture, is a grievous barrier in the way of Christian educational progress. Our religious people have a not unnatural dread of putting their carefully trained youth for collegiate education into institutions entirely dissociated from special religious influences. They look back to the Christian colleges of the east, and remember the continual pressure of the distinctly religious press, and the frequently recurring religious awakenings which led to higher scholarship and finer manhood under the power of fully realized Christian motive; colleges from which the larger majorities of the best students used to go direct to preparation for the Gospel ministry. They see nothing of this sort here.

At any rate, Christian wisdom can hardly set itself to a point of greater immediate concern than this of the completion of a scheme of Christian education which shall make possible the training here at home of our youth under safe and Christian influences, whether they be destined for the ministry or other positions in life. As we set about this matter, it is at once obvious that no one denomination has either the money or the youth to equip worthily, or fill adequately, the facilities of such an institute. What remains but that, we combine in it. There is nothing to hinder such cooperation, and your committee is glad to report that unreadiness to such cooperation is no part of the difficulty in the way. Uniting denominational forces, there are youth enough to throng such a college as we desire, and to make it worth while to equip it to its best.

All this Dr. McDonald has seen with great clearness and force. He has given great thought and pains to a plan to meet the case—a plan guarded carefully in these points of cooperation—in the

interest of absolute equity, carefully guarded also in matters of morals, and most carefully of all guarded against alienating forms for Christ and His church. He has provided against debt, against tobacco, against drunkenness, and against irreligion. He plans for both sexes and all colors. He has planned so that without disturbing the foundations, the college may take on the dimensions and forms of a university. Human foresight can do little more than he has sought to do in this proposed foundation to secure a sound and pure Christian culture. He has backed all his plans by the offer of \$100,000 in gold coin, to be matched by another like sum from the combined denominations which may choose to enter the scheme.

The offer was made to Episcopalians, Baptists, Methodists north and south, Congregationalists and Presbyterians. The Episcopalians do not seem to have taken any interest in it. The Baptists have never raised any committee nor taken any formal action. The Congregationalists have been so hard at work raising monies to meet liberal offers from the east on behalf of their Theological Seminary and Academy at Oakland, that they have felt unable thus far to undertake anything. The Methodists are better equipped for their educational wants than any of us, with their colleges at San Jose and Santa Clara. We ourselves have been giving so much of attention to the furtherance of the endowment of our Seminary, as to make it impossible to get any wide enthusiasm for practical efforts for the college. Indeed it would be of little use for one, or even two of these Christian bodies to undertake the matter alone, since the sum to be raised by each in that case would be so much the greater.

Your committee recalling the history of education in this State, can but commend the early wisdom of steps toward the establishment of a Christian college. You are familiar with the disastrous end of the enterprise of the College of California. That college was well on foot, with a very considerable property. You know also the history and final financial disaster of our own City College here. The theological seminary is logically a stage subsequent to that of the college. It was so in the thought of the founders of this thing. The College of California and the City College were put afoot; the seminaries followed. The colleges went down; the seminaries remain and are weak, very largely because there is this four years' chasm between our scholars and the doors of entrance to the seminaries. Their difficulty is mainly that of getting qualified students. Had we large numbers of such students knocking at the doors of the theological seminaries, the general interest in their endowment would be brought home to the churches, and that work would not drag. The first need of the seminaries is a college which can give their candidates adequate preparation. We must have these trained—religiously trained—youth fitted for theological culture. It pains us to see the small amount of but partially

prepared material upon which the valuable labors of our professors must be expended.

A very fine form of seminary endowment would be a college reaching up to its doors. Preparation outside the entrance door of the seminary is the only way of adequate culture inside of the door of exit into the ministry. We must have, as churches, collegiate facilities for fitting men for the professional schools, in order to the high usefulness of the latter.

Your committee has found it impossible to take any practical steps in the matter entrusted to it. The ground for canvass in collections in the Congregational and Presbyterian denominations is fully covered by the efforts for raising houses for further endowment of the seminaries of those denominations, while the other Christian denominations called to this work are not yet ready for heartily undertaking it.

Dr. McDonald still holds his offer open, but probably with small present expectation of anything coming of it. It may be that he is also a little or a good deal disappointed that his noble offer of \$100,000 for Christian education at just the point where it is most urgently needed should lie begging its chance to be put to the uses of Christ and Christian culture. Your committee hopes that the work for endowment of the seminaries will be soon accomplished so far that we may be ready altogether to turn to this important matter.

It only remains to recommend that a further committee be raised to keep the matter in hand another year, and do concerning it whatever there may be opportunity for.

Respectfully submitted,

A. S. FISKE,
JAS. MATTHEWS,
ROB'T MACKENZIE,
JAMES B. ROBERTS.

On motion, it was resolved, that inasmuch as Rev. R. Wylie is absent from the country, and expected to be absent for two years, that Rev. D. McClure, Ph. D., be elected by Synod to fill his place as a Director of the Theological Seminary. By direction of Synod the Clerk cast the ballot, when the Moderator announced the election of Dr. McClure to the vacancy.

The committee on Finance and Mileage reported. The report was adopted, and is as follows, to wit :

To the Synod of the Pacific:

Your Committee on Finance and Mileage would report that they find the sum of \$313 72, which they recommend be disbursed for mileage as follows:

PRESBYTERY OF SACRAMENTO.

Claims	\$326.00
Deductions.....	80.00

Eighty-five and eight tenths per cent. of \$246.00=\$186.86

PRESBYTERY OF LOS ANGELES.

Claims.....	\$181.00
Deductions.....	40.00

Eighty-five and eight-tenths per cent. of \$141.00=\$115.79

PRESBYTERY OF BENICIA.

Claims.....	\$117.00
Deductions.....	45 00

Eighty-five and eight-tenths per cent. of \$72.00=\$313.72

We recommend that the Presbyteries be requested to make an assessment of 10 cents per member for mileage, for next year.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

J. MCG. PATTERSON,
N. WAGENSELLER,
E. R. HAWLEY.

Rev. Dr. Loomis, chairman of the committee on the Narrative of the State of Religion, presented the report of the committee, which was adopted. (See Appendix, B.)

On motion of Rev. R. R. Wells, the Stated Clerk was directed to have the minutes of Synod printed in the usual form, and distributed within two months from this date.

The report of the Permanent committee on Temperance was taken from the docket and adopted, and is as follows, to wit :

The committee on Temperance would respectfully report :

The continued prevalence of the great evil of intemperance within our bounds, a dark feature of moral and social degeneracy, leaves much to deplore. A free indulgence in stimulants has been, from the first, a natural outcome of the gigantic proportions of trade and commerce on this coast in intoxicating liquors. The sad infirmity of human nature which carries with it a susceptibility to yield to temptations to excessive sensual gratification, has, we are pained to confess, found in our community a most melancholy exemplification, which as often as it is witnessed causes within our bosoms a struggle between our pity and our indignation. What with the cost and waste in material interests of drinking customs, still more the wrecks of manhood, position and character—most affecting marks of the vice—must ever make their emphatic appeals to the strong to interpose for the succor of the weak.

Your committee in surveying the signs of the times are encouraged to indulge the conviction, that at present, in an unusual degree, watchful, earnest attention is bestowed upon the great evil of intemperance, and upon means for its abatement. This awakened interest is seen in multiplied individual and associated efforts to advance the cause of temperance ; in larger numbers enlisted as recruits in the ranks of abstainers ; in a growing recognition of

intemperance as the paramount incitation of crime ; in examination into the evils of the liquor license system, and under it the immense multiplication of places for the sale of intoxicating liquors, and of the Saturday night, Sunday and Sunday night scenes of vicious excesses in them. A further practical result of the present awakening is witnessed in zealous efforts to enforce prohibitory regulations of the statutes, affecting the exposure and sale of intoxicating liquors on Sunday. In this movement a gratifying beginning has been inaugurated ; but it has encountered a check, only temporarily your committee trust, by an appeal taken to the Supreme Court of California, in a case involving the question of the constitutionality of section 300 of the Civil Code, upon which an early decision is expected.

Upon the great importance of the subject of this paper, the committee need not enlarge. The facts of the cause furnish their own argument. We conclude with the suggestion, that a strenuous, earnest work in the field of christian temperance, auspicious of good alike to the church and society in general, is a present imperious demand upon the Synod, prompted by a manifest opportunity, the creator of the obligation of its performance.

Respectfully submitted.

ALBERT WILLIAMS,
ROBERT STRONG,
NATHANIEL GRAY.

The Auditing committee reported and the report was adopted, and is as follows, to wit :

Your committee to audit the Treasurer's account would respectfully report that they have examined the account, compared it with the vouchers, find it correct, and recommend its approval.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

J. W. STEWART, Chairman.

The committee on the Minutes of the General Assembly made the following report:

Your committee on Assembly minutes report having made a partial examination of the minutes, find the usual interest in the routine work as reported. Besides this, we find it of interest to each one to make a thorough examination of the report in the reorganization of the Synods. Also, the report on systematic beneficence is of practical benefit to the sessions of all our churches.

Again, the report of the committee on unemployed ministers, providing for employment of those unemployed, and supplies for vacant pulpits.

J. W. ELLIS, Chairman.

The Stated Clerks of the Benicia, Los Angeles, Sacramento, San Francisco and San Jose Presbyteries reported, and the several reports were accepted. (See Appendix C : 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5.

The following report was received, viz :

The committee on Leave of Absence respectfully report as follows, to wit:

There appeared before this committee and rendered satisfactory reasons for not being present at the opening of Synod, persons as follows, to wit: Ministers—S. P. Sprecher, H. A. Mayhew, C. D. Merrill, I. N. Waterman, T. F. Fotheringham ; also that leave of absence for satisfactory reasons had been granted to the following persons, unable to remain to the close of the meeting, viz: Ministers—F. M. Dimmick, H. R. Avery, W. H. Darden, C. H. Crawford, R. S. Symington, P. L. Carden, N. B. Klink, J. W. Snowden, E. F. Walker, E. Graham, R. L. Tabor, Geo. C. Whyte, W. Alexander, D.D., and H. H. Dobbins. Elders—D. C. McMillan, E. H. Smythe, J. M. Patterson, Felix Tracy, J. M. Rodgers, O. L. Soules, Rob't Andrews, W. S. Jacks, W. H. Hampton.

The report was accepted.

The Judicial Committee reported. On motion of Rev. W. W. Brier, the previous question was ordered, and the report was adopted, and is as follows, to wit :

In the case of the complaint of Rev. Edward Graham against the Synod of the Pacific, which was referred by the General Assembly back to the Synod, and by the Synod referred to the Judicial Committee, that committee respectfully reports as follows:

In the absence of any official copy of the complaint, we learn from the complainant that the complaint was based, not on any technical points of deficiency in the records, or irregularity in the mode of the proceedings, but on the result reached by the Synod last year, in other words on the merits of the case. The ground on which the Assembly declined to consider the complaint was, such irregularities and deficiencies in the records both of Presbytery and Synod, and such meagre information furnished by the records of both bodies, that they could not come to any intelligent decision. They therefore referred the case back to the Synod with instructions to take such action in the premises as the interest of religion and the good order of the church may seem to them to demand. We find no hint either within or outside of these instructions that the Assembly wished the Synod to reconsider the case on its merits, and with more care for its regularity of proceedings. On the contrary, the interest of religion and the good order of the church was the special point to be guarded in our action, and the Synod is to be its own judge of what action is demanded by those interests. In the judgment of your committee, then, those two interests will be abundantly satisfied by a correction of the minutes of the Synod by adopting and placing on record a reason for the decision on the case made last year, and by instructing the Presbytery of San Francisco to make a similar correction in its minutes.

The committee had before it the alternative of remanding the

case to the Presbytery of San Francisco. But we consider such a course prejudicial to the interests of religion, which we were to guard, and of no further advantage in maintaining the good order of the church. The Synod passed over the irregularities of the Presbytery last year, and decided the case on its merits. There is no reason to suppose that a simple correction of the record of the Presbytery of San Francisco will make any change in the mind of the Synod, and further consideration of the merits of the case by Presbytery and Synod would hinder them unnecessarily and prejudice the interests of religion.

We therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolutions.

1. The Presbytery of San Francisco is hereby instructed to correct its records in the case of J. D. Strong, by putting on record a minute giving reason for its action in dropping the name of J. D. Strong from its roll.

2. The Synod of the Pacific in the case of the complaint of Rev. F. E. Shearer and others against the Presbytery of San Francisco, hereby corrects the deficiency of its records by adopting the following minute on record as its judgment in the case.

Resolved—That the Synod of the Pacific do not sustain the complaint against the action of the Presbytery of San Francisco in the case of J. D. Strong, believing that the action of Presbytery was, under the circumstances, the best course for the interests of religion and the good order of the church.

Rev. Mr. Shearer gave notice on behalf of himself and others of protest, complaint and appeal.

The second order of the day was then taken up, to wit: the report of the Permanent committee on Temperance, and after discussion it was placed on the docket.

The report of the Permanent committee on Home Missions was taken up, and on motion adopted, and is as follows, to wit:

Your committee on Home Missions beg leave to report, that as far as it has been able to ascertain from data accessible, the following are the facts relating to the receipts and disbursements of your Presbyteries in connection with the cause of Home Missions:

PRESBYTERIES.	No of churches.	Contributing.	Not contributing.	No. of members.	Am't.	Pr capit.	Am't drawn from the Board.	Per capita drawn.
Benicia	26	23	3	1123	\$ 403	.36	\$ 2225	1.98
Los Angeles....	21	17	4	668	278	.41	3150	4.72
Sacramento...	28	12	16	1279	208	.16	2300	1.80
San Francisco	25	18	7	4187	2256	.53	2700	.64
San Jose	22	17	5	996	505	.50	1410	1.42
TOTAL.....	122	87	35	8,253	3,650	.39	11,785	2.11

AS COMPARED WITH LAST YEAR, (1880.)

Benicia.....	26	21	5	1103	\$ 345	.31	\$ 3570	637
Los Angeles...	19	12	7	560	129	.23		
Sacramento..	32	18	14	1333	401	.30		
San Francisco	24	20	4	3045	2292	.75		
San Jose.....	22	19	3	949	488	.51		
TOTAL.....	123	90	33	6,990	3,655	.42		

The decrease in the contributions for the board of Home Missions from 52 cents per member to 39 cents, is not encouraging; yet we trust it is but the ebbing of a tide which another year will come with far greater volume than ever before, and will so continue to increase till it shall reach at least one dollar per member.

One church has been organized—Los Gatos, in San Jose Presbytery. Six church edifices have been erected. Your committee heard the able report of the Synodical Missionary with great interest, and trusts he may return from his trip east with greatly renewed health, and better able than ever before to bear the heavy burdens and the many trials incident to his untiring and faithful work. The committee would also call the attention of Synod to the radical and mandatory action of the General Assembly, in regard to unemployed ministers, and vacant churches, as set forth in the minutes of the General Assembly. Your committee would speak very encouragingly of the work of the Woman's Synodical Committee on Home Missions, and trust it will be aided by this Synod in its labors of love and self-denial for the Master in every way possible, and would recommend it to the churches, and trust a woman's missionary society may be organized in every church within the bounds of this Synod during the coming year.

Your committee recommends further: the selection of the Woman's Committee of Home Missions, and proposes the following names to compose the committee:

SAN FRANCISCO PRESBYTERY—Mrs. J. W. Burling, Mrs. R. Mac-

kenzie, Mrs. F. L. Nash, Mrs. Dr. Cunningham, Mrs. James Cameron, Mrs. Dr. Nichell, Mrs. H. E. Hall, Mrs. A. E. Hall, Miss A. L. M. Grove, Miss A. Stuart.

SAN JOSE PRESBYTERY—Mrs. H. A. Newell, Mrs. Dr. Babb, Mrs. W. W. Brier, Mrs. H. H. Dobbins, Mrs. J. P. Egbert.

SACRAMENTO PRESBYTERY—Mrs. H. H. Rice, Mrs. E. B. Conklin, Mrs. Gen. John Bidwell, Mrs. P. L. Carden.

LOS ANGELES PRESBYTERY—Mrs. L. B. Gunn, Mrs. J. B. Slawson, Mrs. John Marquis.

BENICIA PRESBYTERY—Mrs. V. A. Lewis, Mrs. F. M. Dimmick, Mrs. J. S. McDonald, Mrs. H. B. McBride, Mrs. N. B. Klink.

Your committee recommends still further, that the Presbyteries take especial measures to encourage, aid, and further this great and noble work among all their churches.

All which is respectfully submitted.

F. M. DIMMICK, Chairman.

On motion of Rev. Dr. Babb, the following was adopted, viz :

Resolved—That the thanks of this Synod be tendered to Calvary Church for the use of their house of worship, to the citizens of San Francisco for their kind and hospitable entertainment of the members of the Synod, and especially to the ladies of this and other Presbyterian Churches of the city for their bountiful lunch served in the parlors of this church on Saturday and Monday.

Rev. F. E. Shearer presented a protest against the action of Synod in the case of Rev. J. D. Strong.

Pending discussion on admitting it to record, Synod took a recess until 7½ o'clock P. M.

AFTER RECESS, TUESDAY, 7½ o'clock P. M., Oct. 11, A.D. 1881.

The Synod met and spent half an hour in devotional exercises according to appointment. The Rev. James Mitchell presided.

Brief addresses were made by Revs. G. P. Tindall, Alexander Fairbairn and T. F. Fotheringham.

The Synod then resumed the consideration of the protest of F. E. Shearer and others, presented in the afternoon, and it was resolved that the protest be placed upon the records of the Synod. It is as follows, to wit :

The undersigned beg leave to most respectfully protest against the action of the Synod in adopting the report of the Judicial Committee in the complaint of E. Graham and others, referred by the last General Assembly to this Synod, for the following reasons:

1. The Synod is an appellate court, and reminded of this fact in the very order of the Assembly which refers the case, and must be confined to the records. The last Assembly stated that "the irregularities in the records both of the Presbytery and of the Synod are so great, and the information furnished by the records of both bodies so meagre, that inasmuch as the appellate bodies are confined to the records, it is impossible for the Assembly to come to any intelligent decision."

The Presbytery did not enter any minute or judgment on the records as required in the Book of Discipline, Chapter IV, Section 16, nor assign any reasons for the action originally complained of as required in Book of Discipline, Chapter IV, Section 23. And the Synod in adopting the report of the committee has not confined itself to the record, but exceeds its power and authority by going outside. The report assigns reasons for which it has no record and no warrant. The report is incorrect in the statement that "the complaint was based not on any technical points of deficiency in the record, or irregularity in the mode of proceedings, but in the result reached by the Synod last year, in other words on the merits of the case." The complaint was made because in the opinion of the complainants the action of both the Presbytery and the Synod was "*irregular, hasty, and unconstitutional.*"

2. Moreover, we protest because the conclusion embodied in the report, to wit: that the Assembly did not wish the Synod to reconsider the case on its merits is incorrect. Suppose the irregularities and deficiencies in the records had been supplied by the Presbytery, and the proceedings of the Presbytery were unwarranted or unconstitutional, it would have been the duty of the Synod to consider them, and the action of the General Assembly does not forbid but virtually directs this.

3. The interests of religion and the good order of the Church are never subserved by a disregard of constitutional rules, and accepted discipline, but are always hindered by violent departures therefrom.

The instructions of the Assembly assume that the Synod will not exceed its proper functions and powers, and that its procedure in behalf of good order will be in accordance with the Form of Government and the Book of Discipline.

4. In the opinion of your protestants there were no alternatives before the Synod; but its only proper course of action was to refer the matter to the Presbytery for the completion of the record, before the Synod as an appellate court could correct its own record.

5. Your protestants admit that the Synod passed over the irregularities of the Presbytery at its meeting in October 1880, contrary to the complaint of F. E. Shearer and others, but deny that the Synod decided the case on its merits, because this was clearly im-

possible when the Presbytery had entered no reason for its decisions, and the irregularities were so great and the records so meagre.

6. Your protestants are further aggrieved because the Synod of the Pacific in the absence of full records, and with such meagre information, greatly err in directing the Presbytery as to the manner in which its own records shall be corrected.

7. Your protestants believe that the action of the Synod is irregular and unconstitutional, and especially contrary to the Form of Government in Chapter X, Section 8, and Chapter XI, Section 4, and Book of Discipline, Chapter VII, Section 1, paragraph 6.

Your protestants believe the action not only unconstitutional but dangerous—because it is a grievous departure from the powers of Synod in hearing and issuing a complaint. Book of Discipline, Chapter VII, Section 4, paragraph 5. When the Synod heard the complaint of F. E. Shearer, et als., October, 1880, it was bound to observe the alternatives of the Book; and the Synod in session October, 1881, had no more power or should have assumed no more than given it under the provisions of this section.

8. Your protestants further believe that the action of the Synod is contrary to the precedents of the church as found in Moore's Digest, page 575, Section 19; page 560, paragraph 1; page 606, paragraphs 191 and 192, Section 4.

E. GRAHAM,
JOHN HEMPHILL,
F. E. SHEARER,
R. MACKENZIE,
A. S. FISKE,
J. W. STEWART,
J. T. WILLS,
THOS. B. MORRIS,
A. H. BUEHREN,
E. B. CONKLIN,
JAMES MATTHEWS,
H. A. MAYHEW,
GEO. W. LYONS.

It was also resolved that a committee be appointed to prepare an answer to the protest. The Moderator appointed Revs. C. A. Poage, J. W. Ellis and W. W. Brier such committee.

The roll was then called and the following members were absent without leave, viz: Ministers—T. Kirkland, V. A. Lewis, S. T. Wells, A. Baker, F. D. Seward, L. M. Schofield, H. P. Peck, F. L. Nash, James Cameron, R. Mackenzie, Joseph Hemphill, Geo. Burrowes, D. D., A. W. Loomis, D. D., R. L. Breck, D. D., D. McClure, Ph. D., S. P. Sprecher, I. N. Hurd, S. S. Harmon, Hiram Hill, J. M. Newell, J. P. Egbert and Jno. Rea; Elders N. Gray, Loi Mong, D. Morrow, W. H. Davies, M. Greenwood, G. K. Mearns, J. J. Dorland, Geo. W. McGrew.

The minutes were then read and corrected and approved. The Committee on Standing Rules reported a substitute for Rule No. XIV. The report was adopted. (See Appendix.)

The Committee appointed to prepare an answer to the protest of Rev. F. E. Shearer and others reported. The report was adopted, and is as follows, to wit :

Your Committee to answer the protest of Rev. F. E. Shearer and others against the action of the Synod in adopting the report of its Judicial Committee, in the complaint of E. Graham and others, referred by the last General Assembly to this Synod, would report that this protest was placed in our hands just as the Synod was about to adjourn, and that sufficient time is not at our disposal to thoroughly examine the authorities to which reference has been made ; we find the protest to be a paper erroneous in its statements of facts, and unfair in its arguments, and that it is based upon wrong notions of the powers and duties of appellate courts, and a wrong construction of the meaning of the action of the last General Assembly in the J. D. Strong case.

C. A. POAGE,
W. W. BRIER,
J. W. ELLIS.

The Stated Clerk asked for instructions with regard to printing and recording the complaint of Rev. E. Graham and others against the Synod of the Pacific, October, 1880, to the General Assembly at Buffalo, it having been duly filed. No specific directions were given him. The several Standing Committees were discharged. The additional minutes were read and approved, and the Synod adjourned to meet the first Friday in October, A. D. 1882, at 7½ o'clock P. M., in the Presbyterian Church of Napa, Cal. Closed with prayer and the Apostolic benediction by the Moderator.

FREDERIC E SHEARER,
Stated Clerk.

APPENDIX.

A—REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS OF THE SAN FRANCISCO THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

DEAR BRETHREN :—The Seminary Term opened on the first Thursday of September, 1880, and closed on the last Thursday of April, 1881. The Faculty all occupied their chairs during the term. As usual three days were spent in careful examinations of the students, conducted by the Professors, with the assistance of some of the Directors and some of the members of the Presbytery of San Francisco. We had seven students, five of whom, their examinations being sustained, namely, William H. Darden, Joseph Hemphill, Charles B. Merrill, Stewart S. Caldwell and E. G. Mathena, received the usual certificates. The Anniversary Exercises were well attended in St. John's Presbyterian Church. The Annual Address was delivered by the Rev. Francis M. Dimmick, of the Presbytery of Benicia. The Rev. James Curry, of San Pablo, in behalf of the Alumni Association, delivered an interesting historical discourse on the beginning and operations of the Seminary, giving also some reminiscences of the students who have been in the Seminary.

The Board of Education allowed their five beneficiaries with us, \$367, and the voluntary contributions for the contingent fund for our students, from your congregations, was \$455.

A few repairs have been made to the Seminary building, and the ladies of St. John's Church have contributed some small articles for replenishing the students' rooms, so that the building is now in good condition. By the will of the late Rev. Henry A. Boardman, of Philadelphia, about 2000 volumes have been presented to our Library. The trustees paid \$88, including the sum of \$50, inheritance tax, due under the laws of Pennsylvania, and assumed the expense of the transportation of these books—they have been shipped from New York and insured, and we are expecting their arrival soon. Some valuable books have been offered to us as a gift, by Rev. J. R. Agnew, of Greencastle, Pa., but they have not yet been received. Mr. Cyrus McCormick, Jr., of Chicago, presented us with a copy of the works of the late Rev. Dr. Thornwell, of South Carolina. Our most grateful acknowledgements are due to Robert L. Stuart, Esq., of New York, for having increased his promise of twenty thousand dollars spoken of in our last Report to *fifty thousand dollars*, which he has paid to establish THE STUART FUND for the endowment of the Professorship designated by himself, namely, "The Professorship of Mental and Moral Science and Systematic Theology;" also, to Mr. William Thaw, of Pittsburg, Pa., who has increased his contributions to the Seminary to *ten thousand dollars*; Mr. D. E. Small, of York, Pa., has given *one thousand dollars*, and from Mr. Matthew Baird, of Philadelphia, by our realizing on Railroad Bonds which he gave to the Seminary, *two thousand dollars*.

Since our last Report to you we have also received one thousand dollars from Mr. Nathaniel Gray, and one hundred dollars from Mr. Robert Dixon, both of this city. We are grieved to say that these contributions of Messrs. Gray and Dixon are all we have received on this coast towards the twenty-

five thousand we promised to try to raise. As stated to you in last Report, the directors were making an effort to raise this amount on this coast, and agents were appointed to solicit contributions, but as yet no success has been reported. You know this effort was stimulated by assurances of friends in the East, that on the condition we should raise twenty-five thousand dollars on this coast, one hundred thousand dollars would be contributed by them, and they still manifest the same kind disposition to increase their generous gifts, if we make a corresponding effort. It is difficult for them to realize it as a fact that a Theological Seminary for our church being almost universally admitted as a necessity on this side of the continent, that we are not successful in raising at least twenty-five thousand dollars for its endowment.

The present term opened on the first day of September last, the Faculty all in attendance. We have five students, namely: Samuel W. Pollock, Matthew T. A. White, of last year, and William H. Hough, a member of the First Presbyterian Church of Oakland—Mr. Hough is received on the recommendation of the session of the church to which he belongs, and upon a letter of dismission and recommendation from the Pacific Theological Seminary in Oakland, stating his good standing, and that he had spent one year in that institution; David Wills, Jr., a graduate of Princeton College, and under the care of Washington Presbytery, and Moses Reuben, a son of Abraham, born in Bombay, India, and now a member of St. John's Presbyterian Church of this city, educated in the British schools of Bombay and Poonah, and acquainted with the Samul, Arabic and Hebrew languages, as his native tongue, has also been received into the Seminary, with a view to take a full course of training to become a Missionary and preach the gospel in India, or wherever Providence may direct his steps. We expect four or five more students, but as was the case last year, we may be disappointed, and for the same reasons as stated somewhat at length in our last Report to you.

The Report of your Treasurer and his books are herewith submitted to you, from which you will be made fully acquainted with our resources.

You will please also examine the Report concerning the Contingent Fund.

As the allowance from the Board of Education is not sufficient for the support of a student, and as we have as yet no scholarships, and moreover as some students do not desire to ask aid from the Board of Education, and are exhausting their own small means, and still need a little aid to help them through their course, it seems to us highly proper that your congregations should all unite in contributions to the contingent fund. Small amounts from each one would be a great relief, and besides would increase their interest in and sympathy with the Seminary. In view of the fact that so few young men born on this coast have as yet turned their attention to the gospel ministry, and of the further fact that there is a great demand for more ministers for our churches, and yet the number of candidates throughout our Presbyteries is small, we repeat our earnest wish as in our last report, that your reverend body would urge upon your churches the great importance of increased diligence on the part of parents to secure a careful religious education for their children, and to abound in fervent prayer that the Great Head of the church would call a greater number of laborers into his harvest fields.

The names of the members of the board of directors whose term expires with this meeting are Hon. James D. Thornton, A. Hemme, Dr. David McClure, Rev. N. B. Klink, S. Woodbridge, D.D., and W. A. Scott, D.D.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

R. J. TRUMBULL, Sec'y.

W. A. SCOTT, President.

San Francisco, Cal., Oct. 7th, 1881.

B—NARRATIVE OF THE STATE OF RELIGION, IN THE SYNOD OF THE PACIFIC.

Your Committee feel much embarrassment in making out their Report because of the meagreness of the material within their reach.

Instead of the half day or evening formerly devoted to the reports from the pastors regarding their work, their encouragements, difficulties, and their hopes, we now have only written reports, very brief, and some of them not at all minute and particular, so that for statistics we are forced to refer in part to the Minutes of the General Assembly.

The bounds of the Synod are large, embracing five Presbyteries, and each of these Presbyteries, except that of San Francisco, is spread over a wide extent of territory, with churches far apart; many of these churches weak, with members scattered far from each other, and some of them living at a distance from their place of worship. Under such circumstances the pastors necessarily labor under great difficulties in their endeavors to maintain the various services which help to keep our city and village churches in a revived and flourishing condition. Such pastors should have the sympathy of their more favored brethren.

With the exception of the San Francisco Presbytery none report any general or very extensive revival during the year, but individual churches have enjoyed seasons of refreshing, and nearly all have felt reviving influences more or less.

From Benicia Presbytery we have the encouraging report that with one exception all their churches continue in a healthy and growing condition; one church building has been enlarged to accommodate the increasing demands for congregational and Sabbath School accommodations. No extensive revivals, but everywhere an increased spiritual life and vigor, Sabbath Schools have grown in numbers, while contributions to the Boards of the Church have all been remembered, and in several cases are double those of last year. In church membership there has been some increase as compared with the year previous.

We have also from this Presbytery the cheering statement, which we miss in the report of some of the other Presbyteries, that an increasing number observe the Monthly Concert for Foreign Missions, and some of them take, in this connection, a monthly collection.

The San Jose Presbytery lament their inability to supply all the ministerial services which are needed in the large and rapidly improving counties of Kern and Tulare; but they rejoice in the evident tokens of God's favor in many things: all their churches now enjoy peace; a new church has been organized at Los Gatos, some old churches have been strengthened, their largest church, which is at San Jose, holds on encouragingly, Santa Clara and Alvarado have been more than usually revived, Watsonville speaks of special interest in Sabbath School work; while the General Assembly statistical tables represent them with many blanks better filled than last year, and with forty-seven more church members than a year ago.

Our statement respecting the Sacramento Presbytery will be given in their own words, as follows: Our churches have prospered in the supply of our pulpits; in the attendance at preaching services and Sabbath Schools; in finances and church building. The year has been one mainly of seed-

sowing, instead of reaping. One church reports a considerable addition to the membership on confession of faith; another reports an unusual interest in spiritual things.

We gather further from their report that the indications are such as lead them to hope and expect a general revival in spiritual things in all their churches, for which also they ask the prayers of all their brethren.

Respecting Los Angeles Presbytery, we cannot do better than to read *verbatim* from their own report, and we request the Synod to permit us to incorporate it in this. It is in part as follows:

Our Pastors and Home Missionaries have been enabled to perform without intermission the duties of their office, and present from Sabbath to Sabbath to the people of their charge the great and saving truths of the Gospel.

The reports from our churches show that God has not left us without evidence of his blessing, and the presence and power of the Spirit accompanying the means of grace He has Himself ordained for the upbuilding of His Church and the ingathering of His elect. Most of our churches report some additions to their membership from the world; an increased attendance on the worship and service of the sanctuary; a more diligent and prayerful study of the Holy Scriptures and of the Shorter Catechism in our Sabbath Schools and bible classes; and more liberality in the support of the gospel and in sustaining the Boards of beneficence of the Church. An effort is being made by the Presbytery to get all our churches to adopt some system of systematic benevolence; and we are not without hope that this effort if persevered in, will eventually bring all our churches to a cordial and hearty cooperation in the support of all the objects of benevolence presented by the General Assembly.

One new church has been *organized* and added to our roll within the past year.

Three *new church edifices* have been built within the past year, and completed without debt, one of which has been dedicated to the worship of Almighty God, and the other two are to be dedicated in a few weeks.

There is much to encourage hope, and call for thankfulness to God, in the present spiritual state of our churches. And yet we must not shut our eyes to the fact that there is great spiritual dearth throughout our whole region.

There has been received into our churches during the past year on examination	65
Last year the number was	26
This year on certificate	83
Last year	84
Total membership in the churches	658
Last year	560
Net gain	98
Given to the Board of Home Missions	\$ 296.00
Last year	129.00
Gain	167.00
Total to the several Boards, &c	573.00
Last year	230.00
More this year	343.00

This shows an encouraging increase for which thanks be to the Great Head of the Church.

The churches of the San Francisco Presbytery during the year were favored far beyond their brethren in distant fields.

There were meetings daily for about five months, and those meetings three or four times each day, and held in several churches at the same time, mainly conducted by the evangelists, Messrs. Moody and Sankey, and others associated with them.

There probably has never before been so much church going in San Francisco.

Nearly all of the churches of all denominations held meetings also in their own churches, not suspending regular church appointments to attend the union services.

As a result of those meetings we may record large additions to the churches.

The General Assembly statistics give for San Francisco Presbytery as added on examination, the number of nine hundred and ninety-nine, which is seven hundred forty-four more than for the previous year.

And we have an increased membership in all churches of this Presbytery of eleven hundred forty-two; we have also an increase in Sabbath School attendance of eleven hundred thirty-eight; this might encourage us to look for greatly increased contributions to our boards of benevolence, but excepting in the miscellaneous and educational columns we are disappointed.

Isaiah encourages us to hope that when Zion shall arise and shine, her light being come and the glory of the Lord being risen upon her, her converts shall come, bringing their silver and gold with them.

In the Narrative of this Presbytery we notice what we are sorry not to find in the other narratives, viz: a reference to work done for the Chinese, and efforts looking to their evangelization, with the hope that hundreds, yea, thousands may return from us to their native lands as themselves heralds of the glad tidings which the Lord of the vineyard has sent them to this christian land to hear.

There are two growing Chinese Churches in this Presbytery, and the missionaries are constantly working on with much hope and great encouragement.

Though other Presbyteries have omitted to mention what is being done for the Chinese within their bounds, yet the committee is aware of the interest taken in this work by many of the brethren.

Very encouraging reports might have been sent to us from Santa Rosa, Napa, Sacramento, San Jose, Santa Clara, Santa Barbara, Los Angeles, Orange, and other places where efforts are made in Sabbath Schools and private families to bring this people to a knowledge of the salvation in which we glory and rejoice.

It is ardently desired that the coming year may witness a great advance in this department of evangelical effort, and in so doing we may surely expect the blessing of the Lord; we shall find that what we give shall in some way be given back to us; but in proportion as we neglect these idolaters sent to the doors of our churches for a few crumbs which may fall from our tables, in the same proportion we may fear a spiritual dearth in our souls and in the souls of our people.

With great pleasure we note in reports from all the Presbyteries mention of the zeal of the ladies in Foreign and Domestic Missions, in forming societies and bands, and in gathering contributions, and all this with a promise and greatly enlarged efforts in these directions in the years to come.

Still we have to remark that many of our churches have made no collections for the Board of Foreign Missions.

The report of the Synodical Missionary presents many considerations and facts which are encouraging.

He tells us that the growth in numbers and strength of our Church has more than kept pace with the increase of population on the coast.

He tells us of twenty-five ministers added during the year to our ministerial force, and speaks of several encouraging openings where he expects that churches may soon be organized.

He speaks of six church buildings finished, of a church membership in 1881 of 8,253, against 6,969 in 1880, and of a Sabbath School membership in 1881, of 12,026, instead of only 10,239 in 1880.

From such facts as these, and many more which want of time forbids us now to dwell upon, the Synod may see abundant occasion to bless and praise the Great Head of the Church for His rich mercy and abundant grace bestowed upon us. While unitedly we implore his constant presence, and a gracious bestowal of far richer blessings in the time to come.

A. W. LOOMIS,
J. W. STEWART, Elder,
Committee.

C—PRESBYTERIAL REPORTS.

1. PRESBYTERY OF BENICIA.

The Presbytery of Benicia consists of twenty-five ministers and twenty-six churches, with a membership of eleven-hundred and twenty-three.

1. Rev. J. A. Mitchell was dismissed from this to join the Presbytery of San Jose, April 18th, 1881.

2. Rev. F. H. Robinson was dismissed from this to the Presbytery of Los Angeles, October 6th, 1881.

3. Mr. M. J. A. White, a candidate under the care of Presbytery, was dismissed, to be taken under the care of the Presbytery of San Jose.

4. Rev. Wm. Alexander, D.D.; and Rev. W. H. Darden, from the Presbytery of San Francisco; also Rev. T. F. Fotheringham, of the Presbytery of Peterborough, Canada, and Rev. V. A. Lewis, of the Presbytery of Geneva, were received as members of this Presbytery, October 5th, 1881.

There is one candidate for the ministry under the care of Presbytery, viz: Wm. J. Mewhinney.

N. B. KLINK,
Stated Clerk.

2. PRESBYTERY OF LOS ANGELES.

The Presbytery of Los Angeles respectfully reports to the Synod of the Pacific, that it consists of nine ministers and seventeen churches, and that it has no licentiates or candidates for the ministry.

1. It received, April 8th, 1881, Rev. James White from the Presbytery of Sacramento, Rev. Chas. H. Cook from the Methodist Episcopal Church, and Rev. A. G. Lane from the Presbytery of St. Clairsville. Also, October 8th, Rev. Alvin Baker from the Presbytery of Huron. Also, October 11th, Rev. Frederick D. Seward from the Presbytery of Rochester.

2. It received the Presbyterian Church of Tombstone, Arizona, which was organized September 11th, 1880.

3. It dismissed Rev. John Mack to the Presbytery of Puget Sound, April 8th, 1881, and Rev. Wm. Meyer to the Presbytery of Platte.

4. By the action of the General Assembly, May 30, 1880 (Minutes, p. 590), the churches and ministers of the Territory of Arizona, viz: Rev. Wm. Meyer and Rev. C. H. Cook, and the churches of Tucson, Phoenix and Tombstone, were transferred from this Presbytery to the Presbytery of Santa Fe.

Respectfully submitted.

ROBERT STRONG,
Stated Clerk.

3. PRESBYTERY OF SACRAMENTO.

The Sacramento Presbytery would respectfully report that it has received during the past Synodical year the following ministers from other bodies:

1. Rev. A. J. Compton from the Presbytery of Los Angeles.

2. Rev. Levi M. Schofield from the Presbytery of Crawfordsville.

3. Rev. J. D. Beard from the Presbytery of Platte.

4. Rev. John Carrington from the Bay Association of Congregational ministers.

5. Rev. J. M. Smith from the Presbytery of Des Moines.

6. Rev. H. P. Peck from the Presbytery of Oregon.

7. Rev. G. P. Tindall from the Presbytery of Saginaw.

One candidate for the ministry was received under the care of Presbytery, Mr. E. G. Mathena, from the Presbytery of San Francisco; he has since been licensed and ordained.

There have been letters of dismissal granted as follows:

1. Rev. James White to the Presbytery of Los Angeles.

2. Rev. George C. Whyte to the Presbytery of San Jose.

3. Rev. H. P. Peck to the Presbytery of Los Angeles.

One minister has been deposed from the ministry, Rev. George W. Gallagher.

There has been one dissolution of the pastoral relation, that of Rev. E. Graham with the Virginia City Church.

There have been three installations:

1. That of Rev. E. Graham, over the Placerville church.

2. That of Rev. L. M. Schofield, over the Stockton church.

3. That of Rev. J. B. Warren, over the Chico church.

Three churches have been stricken from the roll: The Sonora church, the Jackson church, and the Taylorville church.

Our present number of ministers is twenty, and our present number of churches is twenty-eight.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

N. SLATER,
Stated Clerk.

4. PRESBYTERY OF SAN FRANCISCO.

The Presbytery of San Francisco would respectfully report to the Synod of the Pacific, that it consists of fifty ministers, and has under its care twenty-five churches.

Since its last report to Synod the following changes have occurred, to wit:

1. It dismissed Oct. 8, 1880, Rev. John Rea to the Presbytery of San Jose.

2. Rev. S. T. Wells to the Presbytery of Los Angeles.

3. Sept. 19, 1881, Rev. J. L. McKeehan, M. D., to the Presbytery of St. Louis.

4. Rev. H. Wikoff to the Bay Association of Congregational Churches.

5. It received December 20, 1880, Rev. J. E. Anderson from the Presbytery of Colorado.

6. Rev. James Cameron from the Presbytery of Los Angeles.

7. Rev. Robert Patterson, D. D., from the Presbytery of Cincinnati.

8. On April 5, 1881, Rev. Theophilus Beazley from the Bay Association of Congregational ministers.

9. Rev. Philo F. Phelps from the Presbytery of Sacramento.

10. On April 28, 1881, Rev. John Edwards from the Presbytery of San Jose.

11. Sept. 7, 1881, Rev. R. L. Breck, D. D., from the Presbytery of Transylvania.

12. On April 5, 1881, it dismissed Mr. Charles D. Merrill, a licentiate, to the care of the Presbytery of San Jose.

13. On April 28, 1881, Mr. E. G. Mathena, a licentiate, to the care of the Presbytery of Sacramento.

14. On May 19, 1881, it licensed for one year Mr. S. S. Caldwell, and the same day dismissed him to the care of the Presbytery of Oregon.

15. On May 1, it ordained as evangelists, William H. Darden and Joseph Hemphill.

16. On April 5, 1881, it dissolved the pastoral relation existing between Rev. Williel H. Thomson and the First Church of Berkeley.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

FREDERIC E. SHEARER,

Stated Clerk.

5. PRESBYTERY OF SAN JOSE.

The Presbytery of San Jose would respectfully report to the Synod of the Pacific that it consists of sixteen ministers and twenty-three churches.

Since the last meeting of the Synod it has made the following changes:

1. Dismissed on April 13, 1881, Rev. John Edwards to the Presbytery of San Francisco; Rev. W. A. Tenny and Rev. Alvin Ostrom to the Valley Association; on Oct. 5, 1881, it dismissed Wm. H. Wilson to the Presbytery of Idaho.

2. On April 13, 1881, Charles D. Merrill was taken under the care of Presbytery, ordained to the Christian Ministry and became a member.

3. On April 13, 1881, Harmony Church was disbanded.

4. On Oct. 6, 1880, the pastoral relation was instituted between Rev. J. M. Newell and the Westminster Church at Santa Clara.

5. On Oct. 6, 1881, Presbytery approved the dissolution of the pastoral relation between Rev. T. M. Oviatt and the Gilroy Church, which had been effected by the Commission of Presbytery by mutual consent.

6. The church of Los Gatos was received under the care of Presbytery; this church was gathered by Rev. J. M. Newell, pastor of the Santa Clara church, with twenty-five members.

W. W. BRIER,

Stated Clerk.

D.—ANNUAL REPORT ON SABBATH SCHOOL WORK

PRESBYTERY OF

NAME OF SCHOOL.	POST OFFICE ADDRESS.	NAME OF SUPERINTEN'T.	NAME OF PRIMARY CLASS TEACHER.
San Rafael Presbyterian...	San Rafael, Marin Co.....	T. B. Morris.....	.....
Vallejo " ".....	Vallejo, Solano Co.....	R. B. Barr.....	.....
Vacaville " ".....	Vacaville, Solano Co.....	J. R. Pilson.....	.....
Dixon " ".....	Dixon, Solano Co.....	Emma A. Martin...	.....
Davisville " ".....	Davisville, Yolo Co.....	C. E. Green.....	.....
Napa " ".....	Napa, Napa Co.....	F. A. McDonald....	.....
St. Helena " ".....	St. Helena, Napa Co.....	J. C. Mixon.....	.....
Calistoga " ".....	Calistoga, Napa Co.....	Jno. Muir.....	.....
Ukiah " ".....	Ukiah, Mendocino Co.....	Geo. A. Hocker....	.....
Arcata " ".....	Arcata, Humboldt Co.....	Isaac Culberg....	.....
Point Arena " ".....	Point Arena, Mendocino Co.....	T. F. Bacon, M.D....	.....
Healdsburg " ".....	Healdsburg, Sonoma Co.....	E. H. Gates.....	.....
Santa Rosa " ".....	Santa Rosa, Sonoma Co.....	C. F. Copeland....	.....
Duncan's Mills " ".....	Duncan's Mills, Sonoma Co.....	S. M. Duneau.....	.....
Shiloh " ".....	Bodega Corners, Sonoma Co.....	J. McCaughey.....	.....
Big Valley " ".....	Bloomfield, Sonoma Co.....	Noah Carey.....	.....
Valley Ford " ".....	Valley Ford, Sonoma Co.....	B. Fowler.....	.....
Two Rocks " ".....	Petaluma, Sonoma Co.....	Geo. W. Gaston....	.....
Tomales " ".....	Tomales, Marin Co.....	A. Patterson.....	.....
Mendocino " ".....	Mendocino, Mendocino Co.....	J. Grindle.....	.....
Westminster " ".....	Davisville, Yolo Co.....	A. A. Saunders....	.....
Fulton (Union) " ".....	Fulton, Sonoma Co.....	H. E. Cook.....
Kelseyville " ".....	Kelseyville, Lake Co.....	R. D. Merritt.....

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PRESBYTERY OF

NAME OF SCHOOL.	POST OFFICE ADDRESS.	NAME OF SUPERINTEN'T.	NAME OF PRIMARY CLASS TEACHER.
Los Angeles 1st Presby'n.....	Los Angeles, Cal.....	J. S. Mathes.....	Mrs. J. W. Ellis.....
Nordhoff Presbyterian.....	Nordhoff, Ventura Co.....	Joseph Fisher.....	Mrs. J. G. Taylor.....
Pasadena.....	Pasadena, Los Angeles Co.....	W. T. Clapp.....	.....
Newport.....	Newport, Los Angeles Co.....	A. P. Kuffel.....	.....
Westminster, Los An. Co.....	Westminster, Los Angeles Co.....	Josiah McCoy.....	Miss Abbie MacFadden.....
San Diego Presbyterian.....	San Diego, Cal.....	Geo. W. Marston....	Mrs. Annie L. Marston.....
Anaheim Presbyterian.....	Anaheim, Los Angeles Co.....	Edwin A. Saxton....	Mrs. J. M. Grimm.....
Santa Monica.....	Santa Monica, Los Angeles Co.....	J. C. Olmstead.....
Colton Presbyterian.....	Colton, Los Angeles Co.....	John Laush.....

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BENICIA.

Amount given to other Mission objects.....	Am't. given to our Boards.....	How is School supported?	Is Catechism taught in School?	Is School under care of Session?	Officers and Teachers How appointed?	No. rec'd into Church fr. School.	Is there visitation of Scholars?	Are Board's S. S. Papers used?	No. of Books in the Library?	Are Board's Lesson Helps used?	Is International Series used?	Hour of Meeting.....	Is School held all the year?	Are Teacher's Meetings held?	Attendance at Church.....	Average Attendance	Total.....	Primary Scholars.....	Intermediate Scholars	Adult Scholars	Number of Teachers.....	Number of Officers.....
.....	Itself	Yes	Yes	5	Yes	250	Yes	Yes	Yes	25	83	127	36	69	6	13	6
.....	Itself	Yes	Yes	.....	.....	No	.....	300	.....	Yes	.....	Yes	Yes	21	90	129	56	55	14	14	
.....	Itself	Yes	Yes	.....	.....	No	.....	.....	.....	Yes	.....	Yes	Yes	45	70	70	20	26	15	15	
.....	Coll's	No	Yes	.....	1	No	.....	175	.....	Yes	.....	Yes	Yes	15	60	80	19	8	15	15	
.....	Itself	Yes	Yes	.....	2	No	.....	280	.....	Yes	.....	Yes	Yes	30	60	83	35	50	6	15	
.....	Itself	Yes	No	.....	2	Yes	.....	341	.....	No	.....	Yes	Yes	30	160	160	30	21	16	16	
.....	Itself	Yes	Yes	.....	2	Yes	.....	90	.....	No	.....	Yes	Yes	10	100	119	45	8	12	12	
.....	Itself	Yes	Yes	.....	2	Yes	.....	.....	.....	No	.....	Yes	Yes	46	100	110	30	6	12	12	
.....	Itself	Yes	Yes	.....	.....	Yes	.....	600	.....	Yes	.....	Yes	Yes	30	110	150	50	20	20	20	
.....	Itself	Yes	No	.....	.....	Yes	.....	75	.....	Yes	.....	Yes	Yes	10	58	45	35	14	14	14	
.....	Itself	Yes	Yes	.....	.....	No	.....	300	.....	Yes	.....	Yes	Yes	15	40	70	15	14	14	14	
.....	Itself	Yes	Yes	.....	.....	Yes	.....	233	.....	Yes	.....	Yes	Yes	25	101	194	103	17	17	17	
.....	Itself	Yes	Yes	.....	.....	No	.....	45	.....	No	.....	Yes	Yes	15	18	27	15	15	15	15	
.....	Itself	Yes	Yes	.....	.....	Yes	.....	80	.....	No	.....	Yes	Yes	10	20	30	20	20	20	20	
.....	Itself	Yes	Yes	.....	.....	Yes	.....	50	.....	Yes	.....	Yes	Yes	30	30	35	15	15	15	15	
.....	Itself	Yes	Yes	.....	3	Yes	.....	150	.....	Yes	.....	Yes	Yes	35	30	40	30	30	30	30	
.....	Itself	Yes	Yes	.....	.....	Yes	.....	200	.....	Yes	.....	Yes	Yes	16	35	44	16	14	14	14	
.....	Itself	Yes	Yes	.....	.....	Yes	.....	100	.....	Yes	.....	Yes	Yes	20	55	110	60	9	10	10	
.....	Itself	Yes	Yes	Yes	50	Yes	Yes	Yes	20	70	95	35	15	15	15	
.....	Itself	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	30	80	120	30	20	20	20	

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LOS ANGELES.

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PRESBYTERY OF

NAME OF SCHOOL.	POST OFFICE ADDRESS.	NAME OF SUPERINTEN'T.	NAME OF PRIMARY CLASS TEACHER.
Grayson Presbyterian...	Grayson, Stanislaus Co.....	Mrs. J. R. McDonald.....	.....
Tracy ".....	Tracy, San Joaquin Co.....	Mrs. J. N. Hubbard.....	.....
Red Bluff ".....	Red Bluff, Tehama Co.....	Ezra R. Dawson.....	Mrs. Emma Frank.....
Virginia City ".....	Virginia City, Nevada.....	John S. Grant.....	Mrs. Smith.....
Marysville ".....	Marysville, Yuba Co.....	N. N. Denton.....	Henry Fisher (Elder).....
Sac'to Westmin'r ".....	Sacramento City, Sac'to Co.....	Win. Ingram, Jr.....	Mrs. E. McCaslin.....
" Bethel Mis. ".....	" " ".....	Wm. Ingram, Jr.....	Wm. Ingram, Jr.....
" Bethany ".....	" " ".....	Mrs. E. E. Wilder.....	.....
" Chinese ".....	" " ".....	Rev. J. B. Warren.....	Mrs. H. N. Gustin.....
Chico ".....	Chico, Butte Co.....	Rev. Mr. Waterman.....	.....
Redding ".....	Redding, Shasta Co.....	J. F. Wilkins.....	Mrs. C. S. Murdock.....
Nord ".....	Nord, Butte Co.....	Daniel Chick.....	.....
Colusa ".....	Colusa, Colusa Co.....	J. E. Brown.....	.....
Sheridan (Union) ".....	Sheridan, Placer Co.....	Prof. A. Randall.....	Miss Mary Allen.....
Elk Grove ".....	Elk Grove, Sacramento Co.....	Rev. E. G. Mathena.....	.....
Woodbridge ".....	Woodbridge, San Joaquin Co.....	Rev. G. W. Lyons.....	Miss Mattie Bingham.....
Stockton ".....	Stockton, San Joaquin Co.....	Geo. McNeill.....	.....
Modesto ".....	Modesto, Stanislaus Co.....	Mrs. Hanson.....	.....
Merced ".....	Merced, Merced Co.....	C. D. Brook.....	.....
Columbia ".....	Columbia, Tuolumne Co.....	Walter H. Knapp.....	Mrs. John Becker.....
Ione ".....	Ione, Amador Co.....	Wm. H. Corbett.....	Jonathan Doane, Mrs. Gaige.....
Oleta ".....	Oleta, Amador Co.....	Rev. J. D. Beard.....	Mrs. Taylor.....
El Dorado ".....	.....	.....	.....
Placerville ".....	Placerville, El Dorado Co.....
Carson City ".....	Carson City, Nevada.....
Elko ".....	Elko, Nevada.....

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Gilroy Presbyterian...	Gilroy, Santa Clara Co.....	H. W. Briggs.....	Mrs. E. H. Strange.....
Milpitas ".....	Milpitas, Santa Clara Co.....	J. R. Weller.....	Mrs. Topham.....
Cambria and Green Valley	Cambria, San Luis Obispo Co.....	J. McPherson, W. Hubert.....	Mrs. J. Mullen, Mrs. W. B. Hubert.....
San Luis Obispo Pres.....	San Luis Obispo, Cal.....	Chas. H. Woods.....	Mrs. Forbes.....
Cayucas ".....	Cayucas, San Luis Obispo Co.....	.....	.....
San Leandro ".....	San Leandro, Alameda Co.....	.....	.....
Westminster ".....	Santa Clara, Santa Clara Co.....	Rev. I. M. Newell.....	Miss Mary Bray.....
San Jose ".....	San Jose, Santa Clara Co.....	Jas. M. G. Patterson.....	Mrs. Nellie Eyster.....
Watsonville ".....	Watsonville, Santa Cruz Co.....	Jas. M. Rodgers.....	8 Classes.....
Centerville ".....	Centerville, Alameda Co.....	Harry W. Lynch.....	Miss Lizzie Brier.....
Alvarado ".....	Alvarado, Alameda Co.....	Mrs. M. Southwick.....	.....
Livermore ".....	Livermore, Alameda Co.....	F. A. Anthony.....	Mrs. E. L. Kealer.....
Pleasanton ".....	Pleasanton, Alameda Co.....	Mrs. Burbank.....	.....
Visalia ".....	Visalia, Tulare Co.....	F. J. Walker.....	Mrs. R. E. Hyde.....
Porterville ".....	Porterville, Tulare Co.....	D. Gibbons.....	Miss Amanda S. Gibbons.....
Menlo Park ".....	Menlo Park, San Mateo Co.....	Rev. Geo. C. Whyte.....	Mrs. Hurd.....
Salinas City ".....	Salinas City, Monterey Co.....	Henry Eardley.....	Mrs. Robson, Mrs. Taylor, Mrs. Carr.....

SACRAMENTO.

MEMBERSHIP.																						
Amount given to other Mission objects.....	Amount given to our Boards.....	How is School supported?.....	Is Catechism taught in School?	Is School under care of Session?	Officers and Teachers — How appointed?.....	No. rec'd into Church fr. School.	Is there visitation of Scholars?	Are Board's S. S. Papers used?	No. of Books in the Library?	Are Board's Lesson Helps used?	Is International Series used?	Hour of Meeting.....	Is School held all the year?	Are Teacher's Meetings held?	Attendance at Church.....	Average Attendance	Total.....	Primary Scholars.....	Intermediate Scholars.....	Adult Scholars.....	Number of Teachers.....	Number of Officers.....
.....	Con's Itself	Yes	Yes	By Session	1	No.	Yes	300	Yes	Yes	P. M.	No.	No.	19	19	32	25	25	15	3	
.....	Itself	Yes	Yes	By School	.....	No.	No.	No.	Yes	Yes	P. M.	Yes	No.	20	25	32	40	40	5	4	
.....	\$55	Ch Tr	Yes	Yes	By Session	.....	Yes	Yes	432	Yes	Yes	P. M.	Yes	Yes	20	191	281	90	137	6	6
.....	Col's	No.	No.	Sch & Supt	3	No.	No.	113	Yes	No.	P. M.	Yes	Yes	20	93	165	88	40	13	13	
.....	Ter's	No.	Yes	By School	.....	No.	Yes	.....	Yes	Yes	A. M.	Yes	Yes	20	33	196	21	166	2	23	
.....	Ch Tr	No.	No.	Sess & Supt	3	No.	No.	.....	Yes	No.	P. M.	Yes	Yes	20	40	40	35	1	4	4	
.....	Itself	Yes	Yes	Tea & Sapt	6	No.	No.	.....	No.	Yes	P. M.	Yes	Yes	20	145	231	26	166	6	16	
.....	Itself	No.	No.	By School	.....	No.	No.	.....	No.	No.	.....	Yes	No.	20	80	121	35	45	14	14	
.....	Itself	.....	.....	.....	4	.....	No.	50	Yes	Yes	P. M.	Yes	Yes	20	90	120	25	23	4	4	
.....	Yes	Yes	.....	Yes	Yes	20	30	49	60	8	8	4	
.....	Yes	Yes	20	22	61	12	10	4	4	
.....	600	Yes	Yes	A. M.	Yes	Yes	20	50	77	70	33	1	1	
.....	Con's	Yes	Yes	By Session	10	Yes	Yes	60	No.	Yes	A. M.	Yes	Yes	20	35	65	15	39	5	5	
.....	Con's	Yes	Yes	By School	.....	No.	Yes	60	No.	Yes	A. M.	Yes	Yes	20	40	61	15	4	1	4	
.....	Con's	Yes	Yes	Sch & Supt	.....	No.	No.	50	No.	Yes	A. M.	Yes	Yes	20	40	64	25	6	1	1	
.....	Coll's	No.	No.	Sch & Supt	.....	No.	No.	300	No.	Yes	A. M.	Yes	Yes	20	40	70	35	3	3	3	
.....	20	30	40	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	300	Yes	Yes	A. M.	Yes	Yes	20	23	62	12	17	4	4	
.....	Itself	Yes	Yes	By School	3	Yes	Yes	300	Yes	Yes	A. M.	Yes	Yes	20	100	147	24	29	5	5	
.....	Coll's	Yes	Yes	No.	Yes	No.	Yes	P. M.	Yes	No	20	75	108	20	12	4	4	
.....	\$2.50	Coll's	Yes	Yes	Sch & Supt	No.	Yes	No.	Yes	P. M.	Yes	Yes	20	75	129	60	18	3	3	

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NAME OF SCHOOL.	POST OFFICE ADDRESS.	NAME OF SUPERINTENDENT.	NAME OF PRIMARY CLASS TEACHER.
First Presbyterian...	San Francisco, Cal.....	C. C. Shattuck.....	Mrs. J. Hand and Mrs. Geo. Leonard...
Calvary " " " " " "	" " " " " "	J. B. Roberts.....	Mrs. Ellen G. Nichell.....
Howard " " " " " "	" " " " " "	A. L. Taylor.....	Mrs. Holden.....
Central " " " " " "	" " " " " "	Wm. H. Davies M.D.....	Mrs. Wm. H. Davies.....
St. Johns " " " " " "	" " " " " "	Stephen Franklin.....	Margaret R. Dillon.....
Howard Street " " " " " "	" " " " " "	Dr. H. C. French.....	Mrs. J. M. Stockman.....
Westminster " " " " " "	" " " " " "	Charles Geddes.....	Anna Matthews.....
Larkin Street " " " " " "	" " " " " "	B. Dyer.....	Mrs. S. M. Biglow.....
Woodbridge " " " " " "	" " " " " "	Rev. S. Woodbridge.....	Miss Lyman, Miss Curtis & Miss Rollin.....
Memorial " " " " " "	" " " " " "	Rev. J. T. Wills.....	Miss M. Chabot.....
Olivet " " " " " "	" " " " " "	T. B. DeWitt, M. D.....	Miss M. Bellman.....
Emanuel Mission.....	" " " " " "	Rev. J. Woodworth.....	John Falconer.....
Chinese Mission.....	" " " " " "	Fong Doon.....	.....
First Presbyterian...	Oakland, Alameda Co.....	G. W. Armes.....	Mrs. Wm. Sublette.....
Second " " " " " "	" " " " " "	Chas. H. Fish.....	Emma S. Cameron.....
Chinese " " " " " "	" " " " " "	E. H. Hyde.....	.....
West Berkeley " " " " " "	West Berkeley, Alameda Co...	C. N. Terry.....	Miss Louisa Jacobs.....
Alameda " " " " " "	Alameda, Alameda Co.....	S. A. Sabin.....	Mrs. P. Barton.....
San Pablo " " " " " "	San Pablo, Contra Costa Co..	Rev. James Curry.....	Mrs. M. A. Curry.....
Concord Union " " " " " "	Concord, Contra Costa Co.....	Mr. McCarty.....	.....
Pacheco " " " " " "	Pacheco, Contra Costa Co.....	Miss Kate E. Hayes.....	.....

SAN FRANCISCO

MEMBERSHIP.										Amount given to other Mission objects.....	
Amt. given to our Boards.....										155.00	88.00
How is School supported?.....										Coll's Itself	.....
Is Catechism taught in School?.....										Yes	Yes
Is School under care of Session?.....										Yes	Yes
Officers and Teachers — How appointed?.....										By Teachers By Session By Session Tea. & Off. Tea. & Off. Tea & Supt By Teachers Pas. & Tea. By Teachers Supt & Sess By Supt	..... ..... ..... Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes No.
No. rec'd into Church fr School.										45	10
Is there visitation of Scholars?.....										No.	No.
Are Board's S. S. Papers used?.....										Yes	Yes
No. of Books in the Library?.....										620	1000
Are Board's Lesson Helps used?.....										No.	Yes
Is International Series used?.....										Yes	Yes
How of Meeting.....										P. M	P. M
Is School held all the year?.....										Yes	Yes
Are Teacher's Meetings held?.....										Yes	No.
Attendance at Church.....										150	150
Average Attendance.....										285	350
Total.....										354	505
Primary Scholars.....										100	75
Intermediate Scholars.....										120	276
Adult Scholars.....										100	100
Number of Teachers.....										25	30
Number of Officers.....										7	9

E—MISCELLANEOUS.

1. STANDING RULES.

I. The Synod shall meet annually during the first week in October, at such time and place as shall be designated at the meeting of the preceding year.

II. The place of meeting shall be determined by a majority, and not by a plurality of votes. After calling the roll for the first vote, the two places having the greatest number of votes shall alone be voted for.

III. At each meeting of the Synod a Committee of Arrangements shall be appointed to provide for the entertainment of Synod at its next meeting.

IV. The session of the church in which the Synod is to meet, shall be a Committee on Devotional Exercises, and propose to Synod the time and character of such special public religious services as may be desirable, and not otherwise provided for.

V. The first half hour of every morning session shall be spent in devotional exercises.

VI. The annual meeting of Synod shall be opened with a sermon by the Moderator; or, in case of his absence, by another member appointed at each meeting for the next succeeding meeting.

VII. The officers of the Synod shall be a Moderator, Stated Clerk, two Temporary Clerks, and a Treasurer—all to be elected by a majority vote. The Moderator and Temporary Clerks shall serve for one year; the Stated Clerk and Treasurer during the pleasure of the Synod.

VIII. The Stated Clerk shall give due notice, through *The Occident*, of the time and place of each meeting of Synod; and prepare for each meeting, and keep a docket of the business that is to come before the Synod. The compensation for the services of the Stated Clerk shall be fifty dollars per annum.

IX. The roll of each Presbytery is to be forwarded by its Stated Clerk, immediately after its last meeting next preceding the meeting of Synod, to the Stated Clerk of Synod.

X. Each Presbytery is required to report to each annual meeting of Synod the number of churches, ministers, licentiates, and candidates within the bounds of the Presbytery; and also the changes that have taken place during the year, whether from death, reception and dismission of ministers, ordinations, installations, licensures, dissolutions of pastoral relationships, organization or dissolution of churches, or from any other cause whatever.

XI. Each Presbytery shall also forward a written narrative of the state of religion in its bounds, to the committee of Synod on the Narrative, as soon as possible before the meeting of Synod.

XII. The following *Standing* Committees shall be appointed at each annual meeting:

1. On Bills and Overtures, to consist of five members.
2. On Judicial Business, five members.
3. On Minutes of the General Assembly, three members.
4. On Leave of Absence, three members.
5. On the Treasurer's Account, three members.
6. On Finance and Mileage, five members.
7. On Theological Seminary, five members.

8. On Correspondence, three members.

9. On the Records of the Presbyteries, as many committees as there are Presbyteries in the Synod, to consist of three members each.

The following *Permanent* Committees shall be appointed at each annual meeting, to report to the next meeting:

1. On Home Missions.
2. On Foreign Missions.
3. On Education.
4. On Publication.
5. On Church Election.
6. On Ministerial Relief.
7. On Freedmen.

Each Committee to be one minister and one elder from each Presbytery, including the Chairman of the respective Committees in each Presbytery. Vacancies to be filled by the Moderator.

8. On Sabbath Schools, three members.

9. On Narrative of the State of Religion in the bounds of the Synod for the ensuing year, three members.

10. On Sabbath Observance, three members.

XIII. Standing Committees shall report in writing at each annual meeting of Synod

XIV. Each Synod shall appoint a committee on Leave of Absence, and to this Committee all ministers absent from the preceding Synod, with all elders who were delegated to, but did not attend, and all sessions that appointed no delegate to the preceding Synod shall send by letter in care of the Stated Clerk reasons for such absence or neglect, and the Committee shall report on these reasons with its recommendations to the Synod. It shall also be the duty of this Committee to hear the excuses of those who are not present at the opening of Synod, and the requests of those who desire to be excused from further attendance before the close of Synod, and to make to the Synod suitable recommendations in all these cases.

XV. The Minutes shall be published in pamphlet form, under direction of the Stated Clerk, and a copy sent to every minister and to the session of every vacant church.

XVI. The General Rules for Judicatories, adopted by the General Assembly, are hereby adopted as a part of these Standing Rules, so far as they are not inconsistent herewith.

XVII. An assessment for the Contingent and Mileage Fund shall be made at each meeting of Synod for the ensuing year, and churches shall be required to contribute to this according to their membership published in the Minutes of the General Assembly last preceding the meeting of Synod at which the assessment falls due.

XVIII. The Treasurer of each Presbytery shall send to the Treasurer of the Synod the full amount required under the assessment, each Presbytery making its own arrangements for collection.

XIX. The Treasurer of the Synod, under the direction of the Finance and Mileage Committee, shall deduct from the amounts received the necessary sum for the ordinary expenses of the Synod, and place the balance with statement of the amount in default, at the disposal of the Finance and Mileage Committee for mileage.

XX. The Treasurer of each Presbytery, or his representative in case of his absence, shall gather and hand to the Mileage Committee the mileage claim of the members of the Presbytery in attendance in detail, actual stage, railroad, or steamer fares by cheapest route only being counted, without allowance for incidentals of any kind.

XXI. The Mileage Committee, after deducting \$5.00 from each claim, shall pay the acting Treasurer of each Presbytery the amount due to his

Presbytery for distribution by him, the amount paid being in proportion to the amount at the disposal of the Committee, but not to exceed actual fares, less \$ 5.00, as above. Any balance in the hands of the Mileage Committee shall be returned to the Treasurer of Synod, and to be taken into account in their recommendation of the amount of the next assessment.

XXII. If any Presbytery neglects or fails to send its full assessment, then the amount of default shall be charged to the Presbytery, and deducted from the amount appropriated to it, and these sums shall therefore be treated by the Mileage Committee as part of its cash assets. The Presbytery of San Francisco is alone and expressly excepted from the operation of this rule.

XXIII. No claim for mileage shall be allowed to any member who is not in attendance before the close of the first morning session, or who does not remain until the close of the session, unless his excuse is stated and sustained in open Synod.

XXIV. The Roll shall be called at the opening and close of the session of Synod, and the names of absentees marked.

XXV. The Committee on Sabbath-Schools shall report for adoption a programme for a Sabbath-School meeting or meetings, to be held in connection with the sessions of Synod.

XXVI. The Synodical Missionary and Directors of the Theological Seminary shall be elected by ballot.

2. CHURCHES, ELDERS AND DEACONS.

(1.) PRESBYTERY OF BENICIA.

CHURCHES.	ELDERS.	ELDERS.	DEACONS.
<i>Vallejo</i> . .	Samuel Duncan, C. B. Towle,	Robert B. Barr.	
<i>Shiloh</i> . .	James McCaughey,	R. G. Acker.	
<i>Tomales</i> . .	Arthur Patterson,	S. M. Martin.	
<i>Two Rocks</i> .	Robert Andrews,	S. Q. Barlow.	
<i>Big Valley</i> .	Benjamin Fowler,	Noah Coney.	
<i>Vacaville</i> .	J. B. Robinson,	J. C. Weir.	
<i>Santa Rosa</i> .	Edwin H. Smythe, James B. Rue,	Isaac Parsons, C. F. Copeland.	
<i>San Rafael</i> .	R. J. Trumbull, Al Barney,	Thomas B. Morris, A. C. Nichols.	
<i>Healdsburg</i> .	E. H. Gates, John Flack, O. L. Soules,	Andrew Bouton, R. H. Thomson.	
<i>Napa</i> . .	Thomas B. McClure, S. Wing,	W. A. Jacks, G. M. Francis.	
<i>Mendocino</i> .	Charles W. Denslow.		
<i>St. Helena</i> .	A. H. Buehren,	Jno. C. Mixon.	J. C. Allison, J. H. Steves.
<i>Calistoga</i> .	John Muir.		
<i>Clear Lake, 1st</i>	H. I. Bailey.		
<i>Clear Lake, 2nd</i>	R. G. Reynolds M.D.	Samuel Clendening.	
	Wm. Young,		
<i>Point Arena</i> .	Benj. F. McClure,	Charles R. Arthur.	
<i>Davisville</i> . .	Wm. H. Hampton, J. B. Tufts,	C. E. Green.	
<i>Westminster</i> .	A. A. Saunders.		

CHURCHES.	ELDERS.	ELDERS,	DEACONS.
<i>Ukiah</i> . .	N. Wagenseller,	G. A. Hocker.	
	T. Reeves.		
<i>Bolinas</i> . .	Robert D. Bayley,	Hugh Ingram.	
<i>Benicia</i> . .			
<i>Arcata</i> . .	John W. Skinner,	William Spring.	
	Isaac Culberg,		
<i>Fullton</i> . .	Jacob Saladay,	H. E. Cook.	
<i>Dixon</i> . .	S. McBride,	J. Kline,	
	G. H. Evans,	Robert Van Buren.	
<i>Duncun's Mills</i>	William Fleming.		
<i>Plainfield</i> .	James Chandler.		

(2.)—PRESBYTERY OF LOS ANGELES.

<i>Anaheim</i> . .	Alexander Bailey,	Edwin A. Saxton.	
	Arthur Holdridge,		
<i>Arlington (River-</i>			
<i>side Post Office)</i>	D. W. McLeod.		
<i>Carpinteria</i> . .	E. D. Dimmick.		
<i>Colton</i> . .	W. R. Fox M. D.,	John Lawshe.	
<i>Guadaloupe</i> . .	Thomas S. Brown.		
<i>Los Angeles</i> . .	R. W. Ellis, M. D.	J. C. Bell.	
<i>Newport (Santa</i>			
<i>Ana Post Office)</i>	L. G. Maxwell,	M. H. Bear.	
<i>Orange</i> . .	J. S. Baldwin,	Samuel Armor.	
	C. H. Frazier,		
<i>Ojai (Northhoff</i>			
<i>Post Office)</i>	Wm. McKee,	Joseph Fisher.	
	L. O. Sowles,		
<i>Pasadena</i> . .	Asahel Foote,	W. T. Clapp.	
	Wm. C. Mosher,		
<i>Santa Barbara</i>	E. B. Hall,	C. C. Rynerson.	E. W. Crooks,
	L. G. Oliver,		N. W. Winton,
			E. Robinson.
<i>Santa Ana</i> . .	David Morton,	Daniel Curtiss.	
	Oliver Blodgett,		
<i>San Diego</i> . .	F. N. Pauly,	L. C. Gunn,	
	Geo. W. Marston,	J. A. Brown.	
<i>Santa Monica</i> .	J. C. Olmsted.		
<i>Westminster</i> .	Josiah McCoy,	J. H. Fleming,	
	W. T. Patterson,	Thaddeus Alward.	
	Jas. McFadden.		
<i>Wilmington</i> .			
<i>San Buenaventura</i>	Jno. C. Brewster.		

(3.) PRESBYTERY OF SACRAMENTO.

<i>Elko</i> . .			
<i>Eureka</i> . .	John Horn,	Thomas Evans.	
<i>Virginia City</i>	A. B. Elliot,	John S. Grant.	
<i>Carson City</i> .	William Anderson,	John J. Singleton.	
<i>Red Bluff</i> . .	Meyer J. Frank.		
<i>Tehama</i> . .	William Rogers.		
<i>Arbuckle</i> . .			
<i>Chico</i> . .	Watson Chalmers.		
<i>Colusa</i> . .	J. D. Gage.		
<i>Marysville</i> . .	A. W. Cutts,	Dr. Teegarden.	
<i>Sacramento</i> .	Andrew Aitken,	Felix Tracy,	Andrew Aitken,
	Wm. Ingraham Jr.,	Henry Fisher.	James M. Nelson,
	David Falconer,		Wm. Ingraham Sr.

CHURCHES.	ELDERS.	ELDERS.	DEACONS.
<i>Elk Grove</i> .	Geo. Harvey Kerr.		
<i>Woodbridge</i> .	John Rutledge,	Andrew T. Rutledge.	
<i>Stockton</i> .	Ambrose H. Randall,	Henry C. Norris,	
	William M. Baggs,	James Tatterson.	
	James Crosier,		
<i>Tracy</i> .			
<i>Grayson</i> .	James R. McDonald.		
<i>Merced</i> .	John K. Law,	A. S. Fraser.	
	Peter R. Murray,		
<i>Columbia</i> .	Pearl S. Peters.		
<i>Redding</i> .	Dr. J. H. Miller,	E. S. King.	
<i>Nord</i> .			
<i>Modesto</i> .	J. L. Armstrong,	Dr. W. H. Rice, M. D.	
	B. N. Drake,		
<i>Ione</i> .	J. M. H. Johnston.		
<i>Amador</i> .	L. T. Lewis.		
<i>Oleta</i> .	S. S. McNaughton.		
<i>Placerville</i> .	E. B. Conklin,	W. B. House.	
	E. Thomas Lee,		
<i>El Dorado</i> .	Munson S. Robinson,	Lewis M. Davis.	
	Thos. Knight.		
<i>Sheridan</i> .	Alexander Philip,	Charles E. Allen.	
	Richard Boyes,		
<i>Plymouth</i> .			

(4.)—PRESBYTERY OF SAN FRANCISCO.

<i>San Francisco, 1st.</i>	Nathaniel Gray,	Samuel Irving,	
	Thomas Hopkins,	Robert Flenniken.	
	Charles L. Kellogg,		
<i>Howard</i> .	Wales L. Palmer,	Ebenezer R. Hawley.	
<i>Calvary</i> .	James B. Roberts,	John Dunn,	J. W. Brown,
	Redick McKee,	Thomas Magee,	J. E. Bidwell.
	William H. Stowell,	Nicholas T. Romaine	
	Cyrus Carmany,		
<i>Larkin Street</i>	Warren Holt,	Wm. J. Walker,	
	J. S. Webster,	Joseph Weed.	
	A. B. Crosby,		
<i>Chinese</i> .			
<i>Oakland, First</i>	Jerome B. Ford,	W. S. Bartlett,	
	George W. Armes,	George S. Dodge,	
	C. W. Armes,	J. J. Gardiner.	
	J. C. Raymond,		
<i>Oakland, Second</i>	Hector Morrison,	Alexr. Robertson,	
<i>Oakland, Chinese</i>	Shing Chack.		
<i>Brooklyn</i> .	James Ireland,	David Morrow.	
	Morton Humphrey,		
<i>Danville</i> .	A. J. Young,	Joseph Wiley.	
	V. Craig,		
<i>Alameda</i> .	John Wiggin.		
<i>Central</i> .	John T. Crist,	Dr. W. H. Davies.	J. T. Terry,
			Alexander Nicoll,
			Dr. G. F. Hinkley,
			B. K. Christopher.
<i>Westminster</i> .	Charles Geddes,	John O. Doane,	
	David A. Brown,	Monroe Greenwood.	
<i>Olivet</i> .	Dr. T. B. De Witt.		
<i>French</i> .	Numa Duperu,	Adolph Juillerat.	
<i>San Pablo</i> .	John Nicholl.		
<i>Berkeley, First</i>	George McDonald,	W. E. Sell.	
<i>West Berkeley</i>	James S. Higgins.		

CHURCHES.	ELDERS.	ELDERS.	DEACONS.
<i>Howard Street</i>	J. W. Stewart, O. F. Von Rhein,	S. Hall, W. A. Meeker.	
<i>Woodbridge</i> .	A. H. Murphy,		
<i>St John's</i> .	Stephen Franklin, George K. Mearns, William Small,	George K. Gluyas, J. D. Thornton, Edward Dillon.	
<i>Memorial</i> .	Hugh Crockard.		
<i>Walnut Creek</i>	A. E. Biggs.		
<i>Welsh</i> . .	E. Watt.		
<i>Pacheco</i> . .			

(5.) PRESBYTERY OF SAN JOSE.

<i>Milpitas</i> .	Joseph R. Weller.	
<i>Salinas City</i> .	Henry Scott, Alexander French,	Hon. M. Farley, Wm. Witherow.
<i>Hollister</i> .	A. C. Raymond,	John D. Robinson.
<i>Westminster (San- ta Clara P. O.)</i>	Milton S. Wilson, George W. McGrew,	Elijah C. Bradbury. C. B. Turner.
<i>San Leandro</i> .	A. C. DuBois,	Andrew Jones.
<i>Menlo Park</i> .	H. P. Coon.	
<i>Mayfield</i> . .	David L. Sloan,	J. McG. Patterson.
<i>San Luis Obispo</i>	Judge McD. R. Venable,	J. W. Armstrong.
<i>Arroyo Grande</i>	David Findley,	J. O. Buffington.
<i>Centerville</i> .	F. H. Hilton.	
<i>Alvarado</i> .		
<i>San Jose</i> . .	Thomas Douglas, China Smith, M. D. C. W. Breyfogle, M.D.	Frederick D. Field. Henry H. Reynolds. A. S. Evans.
<i>Watsonville</i> .	James M. Rodgers, Neil McLean, Alexander Ingram,	Frank Clark, Timothy Cowles.
<i>Gilroy</i> . .	D. Huber, M. D.	Rodney Eschenberg, C. F. Eckheart.
<i>Livermore</i> .	H. W. Briggs,	W. S. Taylor, M. D.
<i>Pleasanton</i> .	W. W. Winn,	W. W. Colestock.
<i>Cambridge</i> .	L. T. Hayden.	Wm. B. Herbert,
<i>Bakersfield</i> .	James C. McPherson, Lorenzo Utley,	Alexander Cook.
<i>Cayucas</i> .	Wellington Canfield, David Clark, W. J. Evans,	B. K. Said. D. McMillin.
<i>Porterville</i> .	O. E. Gibbons.	
<i>Plano</i> . .	William Thompson.	
<i>Harmony</i> . .	A. C. Stevenson.	
<i>Visalia</i> . .	John A. Keys.	

3. SUCCESSION OF MODERATORS AND STATED CLERKS.

MODERATORS.

1852-69.

(1.)—O. S. BRANCH.

SYNOD OF THE PACIFIC.

A.D.	NAME.	PRESBYTERY.	PLACE.
1852,	James Woods,	Stockton,	San Francisco, Cal.
1854,	J. L. Yantis, D. D.,	Oregon,	San Francisco, "
1856,	W. C. Anderson, D. D.,	California,	San Francisco, "
1859,	S. Woodbridge, D. D.,	Benicia,	San Francisco, "

A.D.	NAME.	PRESBYTERY.	PLACE.
1860,	Frederick Buel,	California,	Stockton, Cal.
1861,	Joshua L. Phelps, D. D.,	Stockton,	Napa, "
1862,	Henry R. Avery,	Oregon,	San Francisco, "
1863,	P. V. Veeder,	Benicia,	San Francisco, "
1864,	R. Happersett, D. D.,	Stockton,	San Francisco, "
1865,	John Edwards,	California,	Healdsburg, "
1866,	Thomas Fraser,	Benicia,	San Francisco, "
1867,	J. S. McDonald,	Stockton,	San Francisco, "
1868,	J. G. Fackler,	California,	San Francisco, "
1869,	A. L. Lindsley, D. D.,	Oregon,	San Francisco, "

1857-69.**(2.)—N. S. BRANCH.****SYNOD OF ALTA CALIFORNIA.**

1867,	S. H. Willey,	San Francisco,	Sacramento, Cal.
1858,	S. S. Harmon,	Sierra Nevada,	San Francisco, "
1859,	W. W. Brier,	San Jose,	San Francisco, "
1860,	S. B. Bell,	San Jose,	San Francisco, "
1861,	L. Hamilton,	San Jose,	Sacramento, "
1862,	E. B. Walsworth,	Sierra Nevada,	San Francisco, "
1863,	A. F. White,	San Jose,	San Francisco, "
1864,	G. Pierson,	San Jose,	San Francisco, "
1865,	C. C. Wallace,	Sierra Nevada,	Oakland, "
1866,	H. M. Scudder, D. D.,	San Francisco,	San Francisco, "
1867,	I. N. Hurd,	San Francisco,	San Francisco, "
1868,	James Pierpont,	San Francisco,	San Francisco, "
1869,	E. B. Walsworth,	San Jose,	San Francisco, "

1870-81.**(3.)—REUNITED CHURCH.****SYNOD OF THE PACIFIC.**

1870,	J. G. Fackler, (Session of July),	California,	San Francisco, Cal.
1870,	S. Woodbridge, D. D.,		
	Session of October,	San Francisco,	San Francisco, "
1871,	W. W. Brier,	San Jose,	Oakland, "
1872,	N. B. Klink,	Benicia,	Gilroy, "
1873,	A. L. Lindsley, D. D.,	Oregon,	San Francisco, "
1874,	Frederic E. Shearer,	San Francisco,	Sacramento, "
1875,	James Matthews, D. D.,	Sacramento,	Oakland, "
1876,	W. A. Scott, D. D. L.L. D.,	San Francisco,	San Jose, "
1877,	Edward Graham,	Los Angeles,	Stockton, "
1878,	Wm. Alexander, D. D.,	San Jose,	San Francisco, "
1879,	Richard Wylie,	Benicia,	Oakland, "
1880,	John Hemphill,	San Francisco,	San Jose, "
1881,	Henry H. Rice,	Sacramento,	San Francisco, "

STATED CLERKS.**(1.)—O. S. BRANCH.**

1852, Albert Williams,
 1856, S. Woodbridge,
 1862, Albert Williams,
 1865, John Edwards.

(2.)—N. S. BRANCH.

1857, E. B. Walsworth.
 1868, George Pierson.

(3.)—REUNITED CHURCH.

1870, D. W. Poor, D. D.

1873, Frederic E. Shearer.

